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Dr. J. A. Widtsoe Attends Oakland Stake Conference, Sunday, June 24

With the Mormon Male Chorus filling with melody the Oakland chapel and the hearts of the worshippers who crowded that building upstairs and down, the Oakland stake quarterly conference convened June 23 and 24, with Elder John A. Widtsoe of the Twelve presiding. Visiting with him was Elder Richard A. Poll of the BYU faculty. Also visiting was Hilton A. Robertson of the Chinese Mission, headquarters of which now are in San Francisco.

PRESIDENT D. F. WRIGHT

Gratitude was Pres. Wright's theme. He felt grateful for the stake over which he is called to preside, its bishoprics, its growing wards, its auxiliary organizations and leaders past and present, its Welfare program, and also for his life in America. Sad that so many do not seem to realize the things that are necessary for our blessings to continue.

President McKay recently in his address at Temple University in Philadelphia asked, "Whither Gost Thou, Youth?" All roads do not lead to heaven; there is a difference in good and evil; man must choose between them, and that choice will determine one's destiny. Elder Wright decried the tendency so prevalent in America to confuse legality with morality. Too many have no deep convictions to steady them and guide their steps.

PRES. HILTON A. ROBERTSON

Elder Robertson, now presiding over the Chinese Mission, spoke of the deep conversions that occur among the Chinese when at last they do see the Gospel, and his sadness in leaving them when the order came to withdraw from China. He asked that we take these nationals to us as fellow children of our Father. Great, indeed, is the poverty of China; no hope for the people, yet I have seen the new hope in the faces of those who accept the Gospel; it builds up their bodies and spirits, and gives new life. If you want to taste the joy of life, live the Gospel and be a missionary. Ask how nearly like my Father am I becoming; am I truly humble, sincere, loving, kind? Put these things into practice so that people will see and feel them radiating from you.

RICHARD A. POLL

"Youth is the critical period of life; then the soul must seek the heights, plumb the depths of learning and thought," said Elder Poll. Seek knowledge by study and also by faith and prayer; that is the theme of the BYU. One should visit the services held by the student body on Sundays to sense what that LDS university can do for the youth of Israel. "We must watch ourselves lest we get into a groove and that groove become a rut, and that rut deepen until it is six feet deep and we are buried and thru with life."

LEAH D. WIDTSOE

One of the delightful addresses of the conference was the 10-minute talk by the wife of Doctor Widtsoe, Leah Dunford Widtsoe. She seems to become more alert and charming as the years pass (Continued on page five)

Liahona Lodge Campsite Sits Atop 17 Mt. Resorts in Choice Sonora Pass Area

PINECREST is the best known of the 17 or more prosperous mountain camping spots on the Stanislaus river. Twain-Harte, Long Barns, and Strawberry being others very well known. The "Lair of the Golden Bear" is also there with its large swimming pool. Camping, hiking, hunting, fishing and horseback riding are usual sports in the summer, but skiing crowds many resorts in the winter period

One passes all these resorts in driving to the Liahona Lodge, a fact which insures privacy, quiet and a completely rugged mountain and forest setting for campers at our LDS Lodge. Twenty-two miles above Pinecrest, the great Clark's Fork torrent pours its flood of snow-cold, clear water into the Stanislaus. Here stands a road sign "LIAHONA LODGE" pointing the left turn up Clark's Fork to the Liahona site 5½ miles along this perfect highway.

Hence the saying that the Liahona campsite "sits atop" the many resorts in choice Sonora Pass vacationland. It's literally true, yet this phrase tells only (Continued on page two.)



Assembling with the club's very large and very beautiful architect's drawing of the proposed Liahona Lodge before them, the Liahona Club heard first hand reports of a group of its members who had made the first trip of the 1951 season to the Liahona Campsite on the Stanislaus at its regular monthly fourth-Monday evening dinner-discussion meeting at the old club haunt on the great balcony of the Colonial Cafeteria on Franklin street at Fifteenth in Oakland.

Completed was the adoption of the new articles of incorporation of the club. Presented with the club's lapel-sized pin was Dr. J. A. Robertson of Newark, California, who is connected with the technical department at Newark of the Westvaco Chemical Division of the huge national "Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation."

Dr. Robertson spoke most enthusiastically of the commendable objectives of the Club, and explained the nature of the great corporation he serves and its national operations.

The heart of the evening was a critical decision to be made relative to the utilization of the very large pine timber trees that are to be found prone on the campsite or required to be cut for various reasons.

It was proposed by the unanimous voice of the large-scale construction contractors who are members of the club that the utilization of these trees for girders and for rough dimension lumber would save much expense of cement construction and would at the same time, results in a tidy saving in total costs.

Reported by Leonard Lyons was the free loan by Dr. Milton Ream of a great saw mill ready to be transported to the site by the members' trucks and large enough to cut girders and rough lumber from the available pines on the site.

A committee of Charles Maurer, Clyde Lindsay, Ross McClelland, Leonard Lyons and E. K. Ferguson was appointed to make the final decision and to proceed with the beginning of the 1951 work on the Liahona Lodge during the (Continued on page 5)

San Francisco Stake News

JEAN LAUPER
Stake Correspondent

During the month of June two stake organizations were reorganized. Richard Palmer, Superintendent of the YMMIA, was released as he and his family were moving from the city down the Peninsula. W. LeGrand Nielsen, who was superintendent of the San Francisco ward MIA, has been sustained in his place. His councilors and board have not as yet been selected.

Sister Delilah M. Fullenbach and her councilors and board were released from their positions in the Relief Society organization. These fine women have put in several years of able work and were released with a vote of thanks for their service to the stake. Selected to be Stake President of the Relief Society was Gladys Robison Winter. Sister Winter, whose husband, Stephen H. Winter, is the stake patriarch, has held many positions in the Church. At the time the Oakland stake was organized she was president of the Primary of San Francisco stake, and remained in that position on this side for some time. Sister Winter has a fine background for Relief Society work. Her mother, Louise Y. Robison, was general president of the organization for nearly seven years. Sister Winter has selected as her councilors Jessie Martin of Sunset who has been Relief Society President of the ward this past year, and Edna Somers, who has been a councilor in the San Francisco Relief Society.

Veda Bramwell, President of the stake YWMA, has gone to Salt Lake City to attend the MIA convention and spend a brief vacation. The MIA under the supervision of Hope Peterson, activity councilor, put on a "Hobo Party" June 9. Everyone was requested to come as hobos, bringing a sandwich in their bandanas. An excellent crowd attended and a wonderful evening was enjoyed.

Tuesday June 12 the Stake Primary was held at the Palo Alto stake for a convention. During the absence of Nell Marie Benson the president, her counselors, Vivian Neff and Ruby McDonald, were in charge. The visitors were Sisters Naomi W. (Continued on page four)

Berkeley Stake News

Our stake president, W. Glenn Harmon, is having a fine time these days entertaining his little grandson. We are all happy to have Marilyn back for a visit. President and Sister Harmon motored to Utah to attend the graduation of their daughter, Eunice, from the BYU at Provo as did Dr. Douglas Ream, of the high council, and Sister Ream for the graduation of their daughter, Lenora; and Ann Sorensen to see her son, George, graduated. George and his bride returned with Sister Sorensen and are now guests at his parents' home in Berkeley.

Dr. and Sister Ranker entertained their many friends at a lovely wedding reception for their daughter, Jean, who was recently married in the Salt Lake Temple to Paul L. Gardner.

Brother Wayne E. Mayhew, of our Stake Presidency, now in Washington, D. C., on business, was happy to have half of his family with him on Father's Day. Leon Mayhew, who is one of the younger members of the Brigham Young University Church History tour of the Eastern United States, visited his father while Wayne E. Jr., who is stationed at Quantico, Va., entertained his father and Leon on that day. Wayne E., Jr., and bride live but a short distance from Washington, D. C.

Our stake Mutual presidents, Alma Dean Feller and Kirke Decker attended the recent June Conference in Salt Lake City.

Bro. Decker went on to Washington, D. C., on business. Sister Decker and the two grandchildren Sharon and Richard Carlson, who accompanied Bro. Decker, will visit in Salt Lake while Brother Decker is in the East.

MRS. STANFORD (HUBERTA) ROBINSON DIES IN SALT LAKE

The recent death of Huberta Berg Robinson in Salt Lake City, Utah, saddened the hearts of her many friends in the Berkeley-Albany region.

Huberta was born in Minnesota. Her parents later moved to Berkeley where Huberta entered the first grade and continued in the Berkeley schools until she completed High School and later graduated from San Francisco Teachers' College. She worked for (Continued on page four)

Intermountain News of Utah-Idaho; Significant, Timely Church-Wide News

Message From Pres.

J. Bryan Barton

President of San Francisco Stake

(Note: Press for space this month at the last moment compelled setting this column in smaller type. Never again, Jean and President Barton.)

At the recent stake conference of the San Francisco stake, two very important subjects were presented, which the stake presidency would like to impress upon the stake membership. The subject of fast offerings was most impressively presented by Bro. Henry C. Jorgenson of the General Church Welfare Committee. He stated that the average fast offering last year throughout the Church was four cents per meal per person. As he pointed out it is difficult to believe that the membership of the Church intends to represent that a meal can be purchased today for four cents, and yet the principle of fast offerings contemplates that the equivalent cost of at least two meals each month which the member foregoes during his fast on Fast Day each month, will be turned into the Bishop for the Bishop's storehouse with which to support the worthy poor of the church.

Each one is to be his own judge as to the proper contribution to be made, but it should be done honestly and conscientiously in order to fulfill this most important commandment.

The other subject was that relating to the Servicemen's Program of the Church as referred to by Bishop Horace J. Ritchie of the Sunset ward who spoke by appointment upon that subject, after having attended a recent seminar held by the Navy Department at Treasure Island, at which the program of the Navy Department, with respect to the religious training and opportunities of its men, was ably presented and discussed.

Our Church program supplements that of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines. The names of our boys in the service should be supplied to the Bishops, and the quorums should see that they are written to and that they are furnished with the Era and the Church News regularly.

To neglect our boys while away from home, is to invite the possibility of their seeking companionship and amusement which they might be encouraged to avoid with the proper attention from their loved ones and fellow quorum members at home. The temptations of servicemen are numerous and at times terrific. They need all the help they can get. Let us not forget or neglect them.

At the request of the Stake Presidency, Bro. Jorgenson also gave a brief report of the activities of the Church Farm near Riverside in Southern California which was recently purchased by the Church and which is now being operated by Pres. Jorgenson under the direction of that Welfare Regional Council. His report indicated the feasibility of every stake and region owning a large farm on which to produce their budget of Welfare produce, necessary for the support of those who need help, temporarily or otherwise, from time to time.

This great program of the Church is fast expanding and reaching its full development under the inspiration and guidance of the authorities of the Church, all of whom are suggesting and recommending that projects be planned which will enable regions to produce their full budget of Welfare produce each year. It is feared that the time will come when cash assessments will not meet the needs of those who lack food and clothing and even shelter.

Far-seeing and prudent leaders in the Church are following the advice of our leaders and seeking ways and means of producing the food assigned in the budget, much of which is now being purchased and not produced.

Elder N. E. Stockton Writes From S. Africa

Elder Stockton expresses appreciation to all who were involved in getting him active in the Church. "It's a real thrill to be able to bring the keys of salvation to this land and to see the people grow after they have received the Gospel." He says he is sure this mission experience is only the beginning of a very happy life for him. "I hate to think of not being happy any more. There is so much to look forward to."

The priesthood becomes more precious, he writes, out there because of the fact that so many converts in South Africa are from inter-marriage stock between the blacks and whites. Hence they cannot hold the priesthood. Anyone joining the Church there has to clear his lines from out of the country before he can receive the precious privilege of receiving the priesthood.

Elder Stockton says he'd like to hear a word from old friends. Address: 26 Westbourne Road, Port Elizabeth, C. P.

• New parks, new schools, new playgrounds, and an express super highway are among the many improvements which are changing the entire west side of Salt Lake City. A beautiful new subdivision north of the fairgrounds and airport, "Rose Park Subdivision" and another one west of the Jordan on 10th South, and many small and large parks and playgrounds are in evidence.

• West of the Jordan river and south of Salt Lake City, where the wartime Remington Arms plant sprawled, now rises a huge new industrial center. The ZCMI wholesale distributors is the largest of scores of great concerns as chemical, machinery, rubber, oil refining corporations, and the Utah Cooperative Poultry Producers' plant.

• ZCMI wholesale distributors plant, controlled also by the church, is so large that clerks must use roller skates and bicycles. It is said to be a wholesale center unlike anything else in the world—a one-stop wholesale shopping center. 75,000 different items are displayed attractively, furniture, hardware, floor coverings, appliances, dry goods, sporting goods, toys, housewares, drugs, etc.

• At Orofino, Idaho, lives Walter Sewell. He has a collection of thousands of arrowheads he has made from obsidian, flint and agate. An old Nez Perc Chief taught him the trick of pressing his weight on these minerals against an elk-horn "anvil" that causes a small flake or chip to be thrown from the embryo arrowhead. Heat is not used. Sewell demonstrates at many National Boy Scout camps.

• A light weight volcanic rock, perlite, first found in Utah in 1894, now discovered in many states but chiefly mined in Utah, Nevada, Colorado and Arizona, is now reduced to a light weight sand that makes perfect concrete of only a small fraction of the usual weight, and hence of great structural advantage.

Largely since 1946 perlite sand concrete has begun to be utilized in large buildings such as the Primary Children's hospital and Shriners' hospital, the Medical Center building, and the Salt Lake regional storehouse of the church, and in many large new school buildings.

• Ever seen the famous Great White Throne peak in Zion's National park? Bet you didn't know that Millard county, Utah, has marvelous "Notch Mt." over twice as high as the Great White Throne. It has been seldom seen, but now Highway Six, re-routed, passes within view. You're going to hear a lot about "Notch mountain" hereafter.

• Know Vida Fox Clawson of Salt Lake City? The daughter of famous Vida B. Fox, long head of YLMA general board and known for her poems and lyrics, Mrs. Clawson runs the annual "Historic Train" to the Hill Cumorah pageant and old church shrines, and also conducted the Hawaiian Centennial tour last year. She is the inventor of the famous game, "Emigration," that came out at the time of the Utah centennial celebrations.

• "130 per cent growth" heads a story of the precedent-shattering circulation gains made by the Deseret News in the past three years," by pegging the readers' wants, and being aggressively alert to innovations.

• Utah artillery is making top fighting records in the Korean war, according to a IX Corps staff writer. Commanded by Lt. Col. Dalley of Cedar City, the battalion consists of Headquarters Battery from Cedar City, A Battery from Richfield, B Battery from St. George, C Battery from Fillmore and Service Battery from Beaver.

• Rex Layne, LDS heavyweight boxer from Lewiston, Utah, defeated Henry Hall, great New Orleans heavy in 10 rounds June 21 in Kansas City.

Whatever you dislike in another person be sure to correct in yourself.



Pinecrest Lake and Lodge

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San Francisco Ward

By MRS. C. E. WRIGHT.

Alice and Al Whipple were blessed
with the arrival of a baby girl
on Mother's Day. Victoria Alice,
Alice and Evan Ray are also re-
joicing over another daughter born
to them on June 8, and on mama's
birthday, too!

Visitors to the ward on Sunday,
June 10, included Eldon Lindsay and
Bro. and Sis. Ray Marco.
Alroy Flack is home on 15 days
leave from Camp Roberts. Deloris
Hogan is visiting at the home of the
Roy Lamberts. She is the sweetheart
of their son, Richard.

Darlene Merrill and Neil Sorenson
have announced their intentions to
wed on August 20. Maury McGinty
will wed Vicki Dunn July 1st, at
Memphis, Tennessee. Gloria McGinty
will wed Robert Fredell July 8th
at Long Beach. Arlent Yates was
married Sunday, June 17th in the
chapel at Treasure Island by Bishop
Nalder to Merl Fairchild. We wish
them much joy.

Bishop Nalder and family will fly
East to pick up a new car and con-
tinue their journey to New York,
where they will meet their son, Mar-
tin, returning from his mission to
England. The family then will drive
home via early Church sites in the
East.

Sister Olive Anderson is visiting
in Salt Lake City with her relatives
for the summer. Nina, Barbara and
Grant Walker have recently return-
ed from a trip to Yosemite National
Park.

Miss Marion Laycock graduated
from the BYU. She will begin teach-
ing in the fall at Brisbane. Karma
Wright is home for vacation from
the BYU. Those graduating from
high school included Johanna Well,
Deon Neilson, Raquela Felt, Mar-
lene Giddea, Joan Hood, Keith Price.
We're proud of Brent Young being
elected student body president of
Balboa High.

Patrea Egbert entered the Mission
Home June 18. She will labor in the
French Mission. Her testimonial was
given June 10. Refreshments were
served after the meeting.

Joseph Appy has been ill for some
time. He is now at St. Mary's hospi-
tal. Anna L. Bird went with the
excursion to the Idaho Falls Temple.



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Santa Rosa News

By GRACE M. McPEAK.

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOPRIC.

"All Kingdoms (including the
Kingdom of God) have a law given,
and unto every law there are certain
bounds and conditions. All beings
who abide not in those conditions
are not justified." (D.C. 88:36-39).

We must obey the laws of the land,
but also obey the laws of God.

One law of God that we must obey
to be worthy of God's blessing is
that of attendance at Sacrament
meetings. It is the one meeting of
the Church that Latter-day Saints
are commanded to attend.
Elder Ezra Taft Benson at our last
Stake Conference, counseled us to
attend Sacrament meetings with our
families and sit with them and help
keep alive the family spirit, that
evil influences of the outside world
may be kept from taking our young
people from us.

That the members of the Santa
Rosa ward may take these command-
ments to heart and abide by them to
the best of their ability is the wish
and prayer of your Bishopric.

STAKE PRIMARY

The Primary Stake Conference of
the Santa Rosa Stake was held in
our chapel on Johnson and Beaver
streets, June 11. Thomas C. Byrne
of the Stake Presidency presided
and Sister Irene Hartup, Stake Pri-
mary President, conducted.

All wards and branches of the
stake were represented by officers
and teachers.

Out of state visitors included Sis-
ters Naomi Randall and Ardella Low-
ry of the General Board, Salt Lake
City. Sisters Martha Byrne, Mary
Crockett and Rhoda Orcutt served
luncheon to the group.

MISSIONARIES IN SANTA ROSA

The Santa Rosa ward is blessed
in having a fine group of missionaries
whose homes are in Utah, serving
here. The District President is Elder
Robert McCullough; others are El-
ders James A. Muir, C. K. Walker,
Dirk Anjewierden, and Garth B.
Whitney, who will be released in a
few days.

SPEAKING OF MISSIONARIES—

Brother Jay and Sister Maude Briscoe
have a daughter and son in the
Mission Field. Elder Edward Briscoe
is serving in the Southern States
Mission and Sister Joyce Briscoe is
in the Eastern States Mission. Cal-
led from the Maxwell ward of Oak-
land, the family has since establish-
ed a home in Santa Rosa. Brother
Jay Briscoe is in the Bishopric of
Santa Rosa ward and Sister Maude
is activity counselor in the YWMA.

The following boys of the Santa
Rosa ward are at present in the
service of Uncle Sam: Navy—Phillip
LeRoy Lindelof of Santa Rosa, Dan-
iel James Kelly of Santa Rosa, Rich-
ard Louis Remmele of Windsor.
Army Air Corps—Ronald Alan Che-
ney of Santa Rosa and Walter C.
Rodgers of Santa Rosa.

Young Ray Hartup, member of the
4-H Club, is the proud possessor of
a blue ribbon won in the Guernsey
Division of the Livestock display,
held in Petaluma recently, for his
heifer, nine months old. Ray is 10
and is the son of Carl and Irene
Hartup. Irene Hartup is Santa Rosa
Stake Primary President and Bro.
Carl is Activity Counselor for the
Stake YWMA.

Members of Scout Troop No. 37,
which is sponsored by the Church,
honored their Scoutmaster, Wood-
row Tuft, with a surprise party at
Doyle Park Tuesday evening. High-
light of the evening was a contest in
survival cookery prepared by the
Scouts. Prizes were given to Thorn-
ton Paxton and Gary Rossin for dis-
covering the greatest number of ed-
ible plants growing in the park.

The boys presented Scoutmaster
Tuft with a pneumatic mattress for
his sleeping bag. Group members
participating were Thornton Paxton,
Arthur Siri, Robert Paxton,
Gary Rossin, David Olson, John Briscoe,
Lawrence Olson, Robert Dauenhauer,
Dickie Hammarstrm, Mike
Dougherty, Robert Bryer, David
Hatfield, Larry Gebelin, Donald
Fleming, James Task, Gilbert Jamis-
on, Alan Masters, Robert Engman
and Billy Bascom.
At the recent Santa Rosa Stake
Gold and Green Ball, Helen Schick
of Santa Rosa ward reigned as the
queen with Marlene Schofield and
Catherine Kelly as attendants and
flower girls, Christine Kenworthy,
Sherry Moss and Kathy Briscoe
were flower girls.

Lakeport Br. News

By MAUD PEARSON.

President Leith Pearson sends us
this message: Every bit of food that
we are asked to store up is for our
benefit and also for that of our
brothers and sisters. We are our
brothers' keepers just as the Lord
is our keeper.

NEWS ITEMS: Sister Andra Shel-
ton was given a delightful shower
June 19. She is looking for her baby
in July, the first baby to be born
in the Branch. We are deeply
concerned about our beloved Sister
Phillips who has been our Relief
Society president ever since we or-
ganized the Branch in the old mis-
sion days. She was released this
month because of illness. We all
will pray for her welfare. The
new Relief Society president is
Maud Pearson.

A farewell party was given re-
cently at the lovely home in Soda
Bay of Bro. and Sis. Lassen. The
party was in honor of the Bells, and
was in the form of a barbecue.
Games were played. Our young magi-
cian, Bill De Wall, put on a won-
derful magic show. Delicious re-
freshments were served on the ter-
race.

San Leandro Ward

By VERA JACKSON

San Leandro ward is growing; this
past month especially, with the as-
sistance of Mr. Stork. Congratula-
tions are extended to Bliss and Lois
Cook and their new daughter, Terry
Lynn; to the Joseph Tanners and
their young son; and to Herb and
Mary Marsh and their new son. Best
of wishes and much happiness to
you all.

Something new has been added to
our chapel—the new Chase grand
piano which was so beautifully in-
troduced to us by Bro. Rollin Jensen.
Purchase of the piano was spon-
sored by our ward choir. The instru-
ment was very much needed and
will be greatly appreciated.

The choir has disbanded until the
first of September and will be
missed in our sacrament meetings.
They have added greatly to the
spirit of the meetings with their
beautiful music.

Chairs for the rostrum have been
delivered and when placed will cer-
tainly improve the appearance of
the chapel.

The summer programs provided
by the auxiliary organizations are
proving very popular and success-
ful. Primary meets at 10 o'clock
each Thursday morning. The chil-
dren are being led in handicrafts of
one kind or another.

The Mutual organization has pro-
vided something different and en-
tertaining for each meeting thus far
in their summer program. Plan to
attend Mutual on Tuesdays at 7:30
p.m. and join the fun.

The Boy Scouts will soon be on
their way to camp. They are looking
forward to a real outing.

Don't let down during the summer.
It is easy to do this, especially on
such Sundays when the weather is
most inviting. However, an outing
or just plain lazy day doesn't bring
with it the satisfaction that comes
from attendance at church services.
Attend church regularly during the
summer months.

Dimond Ward News

DONNA PEARCE, Reporter

The ward talent show held in our
recreation hall on June 5 was the
best show Dimond ward has offered
our members in a long time. Al
Heiner was a great master of cere-
monies and the talent was the best.
The free-will offering at the door
went to pay for car damage in which
our boys were involved on their way
to the Mesa excursion. I know every-
one attending was more than repaid
for the small amount they contrib-
uted for such a worthy cause. It
seems it takes a show like this to
uncover Dimond's hidden talent.

There's going to be a smiling face
and most conscientious worker miss-
ing from the pulpit. Bro. Glenn C.
Rounds has served faithfully in our
bishopric as a counselor for 10 years
—in fact he's been a MUST around
our ward and he'll surely be missed
as will his good family.

However, to fill his place we have
Clyde Russell who has been second
counselor to Bishop Elmo Smith.
Eugene Hilton will become new sec-
ond counselor in our bishopric. We
congratulate Eugene and know he's
just the right one for this occasion.

Primary will be held every Wed-
nesday morning at 10:30 during the
summer. A fine program has been
planned for the enjoyment of your
child.

Mrs. Grace Byrson announces the
recent marriage of her son, Thomas
D. Byrson to Darlene Wood of
Tooele, Utah. Darlene is the daugh-
ter of Mrs. Julian C. Wood. Both
these young people are attending
the U. of U. The marriage ceremony
was read at the new Tooele Taber-
nacle.

Pittsburg Ward News

From all indications, now that
summer is upon us, the ward has
VACATIONERS, many of its mem-
bers taking time off to visit rela-
tives, also take in the incompar-
able American scenery. Among those
lucky people are the Neldon Cottles,
who have gone to Utah; the Harold
Magley and Ray Gibbs families who
are enjoying a week in Yosemite
Park, and the Ralph Kreys, who
recently returned from a Utah trip.
Undoubtedly there are many others
of whom your reporter has not yet
heard. Anyway, summer is definitely
in the air.

We are sorry to have to report the
departure of the Kenneth Porter
family from our ward: Bro. Porter
having accepted a teaching position
in Sacramento. This family will be
greatly missed as they have been
very active. Bro. Porter has been a
very able First Counselor in the
Bishopric for the last year and a
half. His family will spend the sum-
mer in Utah, while he takes gradu-
ate work at the University of Cali-
fornia, and they will then take up
residence in Sacramento in the fall.
The Robert Buehler family is now
the proud possessor of a new baby
boy, and simultaneously with this
development Bro. Buehler received
his discharge from the army. They
are now on their way back to their
home in Salt Lake City where Bro.
Buehler will resume his job on the
police force.

One of our nicest people, Sister
Carol Clayton, is back in our ward,
having completed a very successful
mission to the Central Atlantic
States. However, it doesn't look as
though we will keep her very long
as a very personable young man,
who was in the same mission field,
has asked for her hand in marriage,
and from all indications the nup-
tials will take place next month.

More About Liahona

Lodge Campsite

(Continued from Page 1)

half the charm about the club's
campsite in the Stanislaus forest.
That campsite can be a strategic
base for exploring the whole
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was introduced to the Gospel. Thru
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diligent reading of the great works
of our Church and the quiet patient
and staunch support of his wife,
Pres. Hardisty accepted the Gospel
in its fullness. Later on through the
example set by him and his lovely
family, Pres. Hardisty's mother, too,
entered into the waters of baptism.

"The Glory of God Is Intelligence"
seems to be one of the prominent
guide posts in President Hardisty's
life. His home is full of the Church
books. This is a great asset to the
members. President Hardisty's thots
on the reading of good books are
aptly expressed by Oliver Wendell
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M. G. Stephens, Dimond Ward, Receives Fine Letter Praising Son, Elder Keith Stephens, Now Laboring in Ohio Near Kirtland of Temple Fame

One of the most pleasing letters to an LDS mother and father could receive came to the M. G. Stephens dated Euclid, Ohio, June 16, 1951.

The retiring Supervising Elder of the North and Eastern Ohio Mission District, Elder A. Keith Crandell, voluntarily addressed this kind letter, giving the highest praise for Elder Keith Stephens, son of Brother and Sister M. G. Stephens. Elder Stephens is taking over the supervising duties, although other elders have been longer in the field.

"I have come to love Keith as a brother. It thrills me to see him take over his larger responsibilities in an impressive manner and to see him grow and develop into such a capable leader. . . . He is the finest elder in the district," says Elder Crandell.

Congratulations to and blessing upon Brother and Sister Marion G. Stephens, who are supporting also a daughter in the mission field. Marion G. Stephens is proprietor of candy stores in Oakland and Alameda, and soon in Walnut Creek.

Oakland Ward

By LOUANNE WRIGHT

Saturday, May 19, 1951, the M Men and Gleaner class took a short trip to Palo Alto to spend the day with our ex-Gleaner teacher, Ruth Bowen. All met at the chapel and traveled in several cars. The Bowens had a very nice evening planned with food and fun galore. I'm sure they will never be forgotten in Oakland ward.

Tuesday, June 5, 1951, the Oakland Ward Players put on a one-act, old fashioned melodrama, "He Ain't Done Right by Nell." Elaine Renshaw was Nell. Others in the play were Eldred Johnson, Bud Alexander, Jim Norberg, Phebe Brown, Shirlee Lundberg, and Louanne Wright, with Sis. Frances Mayo directing. It was a cute play and really entertaining.

The ward home-coming week-end was a huge success: Saturday night a potluck dinner and talent show; Sunday, Bro. Aird Macdonald from Stockton as special speaker. It was really a home-coming for Bro. Macdonald.

Oakland ward has had several very interesting Firesides lately. The first, at the home of Shirlee Lundberg, went like this: we opened as usual and then retired to the dining room for a buffet lunch. Since the girls had prepared the lunch, in turn the fellows had to speak at least three minutes each. They had not been told about the speaking so it was quite a surprise. It was truly a very different and excellent Fireside.

Another joint Fireside was held with Dimond ward on June 17. Dimond being host this time at the home of the Albert H. Heiners. Bro. Heiner talked and gave a summary on the address given by Bro. McKay to the graduates of the BYU. These joint Firesides are really very nice as it better acquaints us in the different wards.

Our ward needs more rooters at the softball games each Monday night. We can't expect our team to be on top if they don't have strong support from the side lines, can we? Bro. John Hughs and family have been missed the last few Sundays. They have been in Salt Lake attending the MIA Conference. Sister Norberg, Bessie, and Jim, have also been having a nice stay in Salt Lake.

President Wright is a new grandpa. His son, Pat, and wife, Wanda, had a baby boy June 13, 1951. Since they live in Wichita, Kansas, the new baby has not passed personal inspection by the two grandparents as yet. They are hoping to take a trip soon.

The golden wedding anniversary reception of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Carruth on June 11 evening, drew 150 old friends to the festive occasion. Congratulations to you both.

• Earl and Jennie Caldwell of the Barber and Beauty Shop at 4233 Telegraph avenue, report that they have had their shop's face lifted recently, and beautified with fresh paint. They have remodeled the shop and have had a new floor put down. And then, perhaps to celebrate the improvement they too off about June 10 for Moab, Utah, for a two weeks visit with their daughter, Mrs. Lucile Robertson and her four sons.

MIA Summer Program--Berkeley Stake

"CHOOSE YOU THIS DAY WHOM YE WILL SERVE: AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE WE WILL SERVE THE LORD."

This challenge from Joshua 24:15 is the Theme for our 1951-1952 MIA season, and will carry through until June 1 next year. Our aim is "keep in tune from June to June." It helps to know that the Lord considers our summer activities as important—if if not more so—than those carried out the rest of the year.

We feel that we barely scratched the surface of the possibilities for fun and wholesome companionship which summer weather and leisure time make possible. This year full programs on both ward and stake levels will give young people a summer they will never forget.

BASIC PLAN

We are required to hold one meeting a month in general assembly, give one Manual lesson a month and devote the two remaining Mutual nights to relaxing, worthwhile activity, preferably outdoors.

In addition to this, parties, picnics, hikes, candy-making sprees, sports events of all kinds, barbecues and a host of other "fun" affairs are being planned under the sponsorship of wards as a whole or individual age groups. Our fine secretaries and leaders will see when award-time rolls around again no girl will be penalized because summer records were not kept.

CAMPING EVENTS, TOO

In addition to the above, be on the look-out for announcements concerning camping activities. Our instructions from the General Board are to give our young people everything we can in the way of supervised, LDS-group, camping experiences. We want them to know the thrill of looking up at the stars at night, having breakfast over the campfire, and knowing the joy of companionship that comes with being close to nature.

TESTIMONY DAYS

On the serious side, "Mutual" has a great responsibility—that of building testimonies in the hearts of our young people. Given to us by no less a person than President Brigham Young, this goal should be constantly in the hearts and minds of all MIA leaders.

JULY 20-21-22—GIGANTIC 3-DAY TWO STAKE PIONEER DAY CELEBRATION.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Friday night, July 20, Berkeley and Oakland stakes will get together at the Scottish Rites Ball Room for a real old-fashioned "social." Gingham, calicoes, hair ribbons—everything that made "Grandma" pretty—will be in order for the ladies; and as for the men, they are encouraged to raid attics, cedar chests and their imaginations to look as "Grandpa" did in his Sunday Best.

But whether you come in costume or not, remember to be there for one of the best parties you'll ever attend!

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Napa Ward News

By NAOMI O. CANDLAND.

June 8 a vaudeville show entitled, "Do You Remember," written and produced by Florinna Price, was presented. It was an outstanding evening of entertainment. The cast included the young ladies and young men of MIA. The following Tuesday evening it was presented to the Vallejo ward.

Betty Joyce Hancock has returned home for the summer. She has attended the Brigham Young University the past winter and reports that she has enjoyed every minute of it.

Vacationing in Utah at the present time are: Sister Iva Lu Carter, who attended the MIA June Conference and is now visiting with her parents at Kanab, Utah. Sister Kay Grastelt and family are visiting in Ogden. Brother and Sister Delbert Norland and family are on an extended trip through the middle west. They plan on going through several of our Temples while they are gone.

We are happy to welcome into our ward Bro. and Sis. James Young and son, from Price, Utah. Also Bro. and Sis. Ward Garlick and family, also from Price. Bro. and Sis. Harry Osborne and daughter from Porterville.

We welcome Sis. Leona Baker as new member of our Church in the Napa ward.

Laura Marie Nightwine, who is laboring in the Eastern States Mission, has recently been made the Supervising Lady Missionary.

The ward was very grieved and our sympathy is extended to Sister Chlorine Plowman, who has recently received word of the death of her sister in Bankstown, N. F. W., Australia. Sister Stewart was doing missionary work with a lady friend, when she was struck by an automobile and instantly killed.

the afternoon and evening at Castle Rock Park (where we were last year).

There will be swimming in the beautiful pool, games for all members of the family, and the chance to "visit" to our hearts' content in a friendly, informal atmosphere.

Following family picnics and the traditional free watermelon, we'll all participate in a grand Fireside Program.

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Berkeley 1st Ward

Dora Coltrin Ruegg surprised her friends by announcing her marriage June 2 to George Calders of Hayward. He is connected with the post office in Castro Valley. They will make their home on Hampton Road, San Lorenzo.

The marriage of Nadine Williams and Delbert H. Rock, Jr., is a thrill to their many friends. They will hold their reception at the Ross Circle home of the Rocks in Oakland on the 14th of July.

Vacations are in order. Neva Hill and Janet are in Panguitch, Utah, with relatives for a few weeks; Nate Tolman is still in Salt Lake doing temple work and resting; LaVon Eyring attended the family reunion in Idaho Falls in late June; the Malcolms Merrills are visiting Grandfather Merrill in Lewiston, Utah; Don Merrill is a salesman this summer calling upon doctors; the Thomas S. Fergusons enjoyed a trip of ten days in Provo where Tom took part as one of the lecturers on Book of Mormon archeology at the BYU which convened for five full two-sessions days. Elline Wood is summering in Utah.

Home from college we see Dick Huish, Bonney Gardner, Eunice Harmon, Ted Baer, Gwen Chase, Pat Sorensen. The marriage of George Sorensen was a thrill to his many friends. Marion Harmon Everett is home visiting her folks. Ted Johnson is working this summer in the southern Utah parks.

A sad death in the ward was the passing of John Deal, nephew to Reed Gardner. Hazel Ball was the soloist on the occasion.

Betty June Johnson entertained in honor of the birthday of Hazel Ball June 25.

Alamedean Feller and Kirk Decker attended the MIA conference in June. Rose Mary Dunham writes that Scott's wife has been baptized.

The Jarman family spent a week end in Yosemite in mid-June.

Ariel and Inez Anderson are visiting in Cache Valley, Utah.

A. D. Erickson, I. B. Ball and Woody Bates on June 24 were with the first Liahona Club group to visit the Club's Campsite on the Stanislaus this season. Plans call for speeding work on the new lodge and dedication on Labor Day.

Edward A. Pyle, our Sunday School Superintendent, is moving his photograph business from Solano avenue to a Hopkins street shopping district. Ed is kept busy on top of his usual commercial photography work by his contract with the Berkeley Realty Board to furnish all realtor offices with photos of all multiple listed homes for sale in the entire city.

Margery Pyle and Betty Lou Johnson are again enjoying a summer's visit from their parents, Vid and Charlotte Cummins who are staying in San Francisco where Vid's Hawaiian advertising contracts keep him busy in San Francisco, as in Honolulu, their home.

The wedding reception, June 16, for Jean Ranker and her husband, Paul T. Gardner, at the Ranker's Happy Valley Road home in Lafayette, was a very happy event for the large number of friends of the couple and of Dr. and Mrs. Emory R. Ranker. Many from Berkeley's two wards attended.

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Vallejo Ward

By LA RUE A. POWELL.

It was in Ogden, Utah, some years ago in the month of December, that Bishop Vernon C. Newman was born. His parents had always been members of the Mormon Church, his maternal and paternal grandparents having been converted in England. Bishop Newman is an ancestor of the famous colonizer known in history as William Penn.

School days were in Ogden public schools, Weber College and other business colleges.

Always a lover of young people and with the ability to understand and direct them, Bishop Newman began his teaching of religious classes at age 16. On through the years he accepted such positions as Aaronic Priesthood Coordinator, a Scout troop leader, Sunday School worker and a Mutual Stake Bard Member.

Pleasant and memorable years were spent in Australia where he filled a mission in 1935-1939. He was mission secretary and also editor of the "Australia Star," a mission newspaper.

1942 to 1945 were "war years." His time was spent at Treasure Island and Pearl Harbor where he taught commercial subjects and assisted in the office of Admiral Chester Nimitz. In 1942 he met Kay Simpson, who had been converted to the Church in Missouri by missionaries and who is known and loved for her many talents. They were married on July 3, 1947, in Oakland, California. Later, they went through the Salt Lake City Temple.

Bishop Newman's position at the Benicia Arsenal is that of a government supervisor. During the winter months, he teaches commercial subjects at the local college night school. During moments of relaxation he enjoys gardening.

Prior to his becoming a bishop, he was a Sunday School teacher and Sunday School Superintendent in the Vallejo ward. Admired for his ability as a public speaker, his dignity and background, merits him the honor given to one chosen to preside as a Bishop.

A choir is being recruited by Florence Williams, who capably is directing 21 young people. We are looking forward to hearing them permanently. Other people of Mutual age, are urged to join.

It is almost prime picking time. Bishop Newman is hopeful for many, many helpers when the date is announced.

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

One of the most important materials in building a beautiful life is reverence. Reverence is to honor by showing respect and affection. It is to love and revere.

Our Father in Heaven has said, "Thou shalt have no other Gods before Me. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." Therefore, if we love Him and have reverence for Him, we will obey his commandments. In loving our parents, we obey them and desire to please them. So it is with God. If we love and revere Him to the extent that we will have no other gods before Him, then we will surely respect and honor the plan of life which has been set for us.

It is my desire that we may realize our duty of reverence in all things. May God's blessings be upon each one.—VERNON C. NEWMAN, Bishop.

Richmond Ward

A second class Boy Scout court of honor and a double investiture ceremony was held on Monday, June 18, and Kenneth Gengler and Gene McConkie received their second class pins along with their mothers, Wayne Ward and Leonard Outman were investitured into the troop.

The boys present were: Albert Story, Jr., S. M.; Jerry Dean, S.P.L.; Kenneth Gengler, S.P.; Gene McConkie, S.P.; Gerald Gengler, Aaron Barker, Richard Barker, Leonard Outman, Wayne Ward, Gary Boll, Paul Swenson, Donald Story. Mr. Benson officially opened the court of honor and also gave the boys and their mothers the pins.

● Utah professional people reported the highest incomes and farmers the lowest in the state, while wage earners and business people fell in between. Surprisingly, residents of far-off southeast Utah county of San Juan reported the state's highest average gross incomes — \$3550, compared with \$3458 for Salt Lake county. Kane county ranked the state's lowest at \$2199.

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Castro Valley Ward

By HELEN SMITH. LU. 1-3427.

Greetings from the Castro Valley Ward! We promised we would grow and here is proof.

We are happy to welcome into the Church and our ward Bro. and Sis. Harry Hershman, converts of the stake missionaries, who were baptized June 2 and confirmed June 3, 1951. Delbert Charles Dahle and Bonnie Celeste Francisco of the younger generation were blessed on the same day. Little Celeste wore a gown which was more than 75 years old. Nine new families were also welcomed: Francis F. Vause of Oregon; Vivian Hennesy of Alameda; Jaunice Gillett and her family of Grass Valley; Grant Gay and children of San Leandro; William L. Thomas and family (Bro. Thomas is serving with the armed forces in Japan); Dean S. Hawkey, Charles Checketts, and Bro. and Sis. Ralph Hansen.

We advance in the Lord's work: Hal LaPray and Steven Hutchens were ordained to the office of deacon. Our new ward chorister is Mary Bolles with Alice Wheelchoff as organist. Viola May Gay was appointed activity counselor for the YLMA. Nickolas Woltjer was named manual counselor for the young men.

WE REVIEW THE PAST: The ward's first "family night" was held June 13 with a good attendance of officers and teachers. The bishopric served refreshments. Rev. Myron Herrell of the Hayward Methodist church accompanied a group of the young members of his church to our Sacramento meeting recently. The youths were guests of the Castro Valley ward Fireside which was held at the home of Alice Wheelchoff. Mrs. Violet Bay, the Methodist church organist, rendered a piano solo at the meeting. It was an inspirational event worthy of repetition.

AND WE TRAVEL: Dorothy Burbank and her two children have joined her husband, Dan, in Georgia. He is serving with the armed forces. Blanche Blackburn and daughter, Carolyn, are driving to Salt Lake for a two-week stay. The Leonard Phister family is also Salt Lake bound. Herther Tanner and her children were in Salt Lake to attend the MIA Conference.

DO YOU KNOW?

Bishop C. B. Lamkin was born in Salt Lake City (he did not say when). A brother, Russell G., resides in North Hollywood. He married his wife in the Mesa Temple on Feb. 4, 1935. They have three children, the twins, Claude and Claudia, and another daughter, Barbara. Sis. Lamkin served as president of the Girls' Committee and she is a great friend of the young people. Bishop Lamkin and his family came to Hayward from Texas, he to serve as the Boy Scout Executive for the Hayward area. He has served as ward clerk and as president of the Genealogy Society of the Hayward ward. He is an excellent preacher and has a fine knowledge of the Gospel. Our leaders were truly inspired when they called Ben Lamkin to be bishop of the Castro Valley ward.

Petaluma Br. News

Defayne Johnson and Arlie Blankenship were married June 9 at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Stella Cameron. President Adair officiated at the ceremony.

Mark L. Lewis and Thyrele Robertson graduated from Petaluma High School June 8. Mark was presented a CSF Seal Bearer Pin, left June 20 to enroll at Stanford. Thyrele received a \$100 scholarship, which he plans to use at the BYU this fall. Thyrele, our Branch clerk, recently accepted a position in Nevada for the summer.

Gary Anderson was ordained a deacon.

The Sunday School and Primary had a very successful picnic at McNear Park on Saturday, June 9. Supervised playing was under the direction of Twila Christensen and Gene Baldwin. Free ice cream and hot dogs were served.

On June 10 Joseph Crowther became second assistant in the Sunday School Superintendency vice Charles Wood, who recently moved from Petaluma. Bro. and Sis. Joseph Terribilini were sustained respectively as Superintendent of Young Men and President of Young Ladies MIA.

The Terribilinis also left June 13 for Utah and Idaho to attend MIA Conference, go through the Salt Lake, Idaho Falls and Logan Temples, and visit Sister Terribilini's folks in Idaho.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Handy recently returned from a vacation to the Hawaiian Islands.

Helen Myers, daughter Marilyn, and son, Dick, flew to Spanish Fork, Utah, for an extended visit with Mrs. Myers' mother, Mrs. LaVern Hansen. They arrived in time to attend her brother Jack's wedding.

Margaret Elphick, daughter of the Charley Elphicks, had an appendectomy June 18.

Dr. and Mrs. Mark Brockbank had as dinner guest Sister Stella P. Rich of the faculty of the English department at the BYU. She is visiting her niece, Mrs. Cora Cunningham, of Sebastopol.

Karen and Jimmy Christensen flew to Walla Walla, Washington, Tuesday, June 12, to spend the summer with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Johnson in Colfax, Washington.

Nola Baker held a stork shower for Mrs. E. C. Jensen at the Lewis home on Wednesday, June 20.

San Francisco Stake News

(Continued from page one)

Randall and Ardella R. Lowry. The Benson family are currently enjoying a vacation. First they went to Las Vegas, Nevada, Nell Marie's home town, then on to Logan, Utah, to visit the Benson family.

Two more High Councilmen of the Stake have been released. James Challis has been called to the Balboa ward Bishopric and Clyde Hart is being sent by the air force to Germany. The Harts will be missed in San Francisco stake. Sister Harriet Hart's beautiful voice has brought pleasure to many, and both of them have been active in church work during the several years of their stay. Sister Hart will remain in Utah with the three children until living quarters are obtained in Germany.

Another stake member who is going at the same time and to the same place, Wiesbaden, Germany, is Colonel Woody Herbert of Sunset ward. Col. Herbert, who has just received his Master's Degree in pharmacology from the University of California, has been the service men's committee head. His wife, Ida, has been a councilor in the Sunset Primary and has done wonderful work with the children. Sister Herbert and her daughter will stay in Utah for the present.

Excellent music was furnished at the recent conference. In the morning the San Rafael choir sang under the inspiring leadership of Helen Chipman Richards. The evening service had as its music the stake Relief Society Singing Mothers. The director, Sister Deane White, arranged "Come, Come, Ye Saints" especially for the women to sing on that occasion. The well loved "In the Garden," was the other number presented. Marian Robsen accompanied the group at the organ. Sister Hobson is leaving soon for Seattle where she will welcome a new grandchild, to come to Norma and Lindsay Hobson.

Returned missionaries who spoke at conference were Dale Pearson, Gerry Ivy and Dick Lambert.

Interesting news from the new Bakersfield stake is that a young couple, who moved there from San Francisco about a year ago have been placed in important positions. Ralph Lauper is the fourth high councilman, and his wife, Jan, Pace Lauper is the Stake Relief Society President.

The third daughter and fourth child of the Evan Rays finally arrived June 8. Little Linda Marie was born on her mother's birthday.

Centerville S. S.

By BESSIE PURDY.

Earl and Artie Green and Larry are rejoicing with the return of Myrna Joye and Daryl from the BY. They are a fine addition to our Sunday School.

Kenneth Lindsay returned from the University of Utah. His major is law. We learn he is to be in active service soon.

June 15 was the wedding anniversary of Clyde and Marie Lindsay. They had a little family barbecue on Sunday to celebrate a trio of special events: Kenneth's return, their anniversary and Father's day. Kay and Walter, with their families, visited our Sunday School.

The Sunday School picnic was a huge success. Ray Truscott, Jed Oxborrow and Dr. Robertson, the committee, had selected the park back of Hayward Plunge, ideal for family groups. Jed had gone ahead to see that all preliminary arrangements were taken care of. The hike commenced at the animal cages and back by way of the trail beside the mountain stream.

A delicious lunch was ready for consumption on return. Sixty-seven gathered around the long table and we all felt a little closer for the happy occasion.

The Maughn family left Sunday, June 17, for Yosemite Park and a week with other Scout Masters and their families. Marlene, a Newark eighth grade graduate, was one of the group chosen for the talk, "What Newark School Has Meant to Me."

It certainly is nice to have the Linder family back with us after their long siege of illness.

Our faculty meeting was held Saturday evening at the beautiful new home of Dan and Anita Bodily in Niles. Dan teaches the Priesthood class. Jed Oxborrow gave the lesson from "The Master's Art," and Dr. Robertson the Gospel Doctrine preview. Our superintendent lead the discussions. The next meeting was held June 29 with Tommy and Farrell Pugmire.

The Eaton family spent Father's Day with two daughters and their families, at Marysville.

● The Utah State Land Board is studying proposals for turning the eastern shoreline of Great Salt Lake into a State Park. One idea is to build dikes and highways to Antelope Island so that it may be converted into a state park. Also proposed are several turnoffs on U. S. Highway 40 so that tourists "can dip a foot in Great Salt Lake" without paying an admission price. Revived also is talk of diking off the northern part of the lake into a fresh water lake.

Berkeley Stake News

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many years as playground director at Live Oak Park, and also on Cragmont Playground. Later, she took her A. B. Degree in anthropology at the University of California.

In working for her degree she did much research on the prehistoric writings of Middle America and the Book of Mormon. She later compiled a book containing many hieroglyphics. She was most accurate in copying such characters. This book is now at a publishing house.

Huberta (Cubie) had been untiring worker in the Berkeley hospital work, on Sundays with "Mom and Pop Patton," and also at the USO center at the Berkeley YMCA, also at the Albany Center where she took charge when it opened. She also worked at Southwest Berkeley among the interracial groups.

Elder Glenn Umberger, formerly bishop of the Richmond ward, and now of Salt Lake City, delivered the funeral discourse at Huberta's funeral.

We extend our sympathy to our friend and former ward member, Stanford Robinson and his little son, Ernest, and to the parents of Huberta, Willis and Huberta Berg. Huberta and Stanford were popular among the young people of Berkeley ward while they lived here not very long ago.

PRIMARY CONVENTION

At the recent Primary Interstate Convention for Oakland and Berkeley Stakes, the theme was "Building Latter-day Saints."

"There is no compromise with evil when building Latter-day Saints. To keep evil out of our teaching methods we must constantly be on guard. We must be careful in our selection of stories, visual aids and in the language we employ. To do this we must keep in constant contact with our Father in Heaven, that we may be guided in the proper selection of materials to be used. We must read the gospel at regular intervals that our hearts and minds may have a constant supply of inspiration.

"If we know the Gospel it will kindle a fire in our hearts that we may transfer a spark into the hearts of the children. If we are to be Builders of Latter-day Saints we must live the Gospel as well as knowing it. Last but not least we must love those we teach. If teaching is a burden to you then you are wasting your time for a child can sense your attitude immediately.

"Responsibilities are the stepping stones to happiness. Beware that you are not shirking yours, for the highway to happiness is the pathway to righteousness. God made the quarries but men must build the Temples.

"To build Latter-day Saints we must follow the greatest teacher of all times, the Savior. Use stories that are appropriate and in a language that children can readily understand. Jesus knew His people, their troubles, thoughts and feelings. To be a good teacher we must strive to follow His example. That is the only way to build Latter-day Saints."

Berkeley stake Primary Officers are: President, Annetta Wood; First Counselor, Claire Engel; second counselor, Bessie Braby; secretary, Margart Williams; High Council Advisor, Fred Hatt.

The Oakland Stake Primary Officers are: President, Elsie Lyons; first counselor, Leah Finch; second counselor, Mary Dunn; secretary-treasurer, Vera Bodily; High Council Advisor, Brother McFarland.

Sister Ardella R. Lowry, of the General Board; Sister Naomi W. Randall, of General Board, attended the local convention.

● Gifts—By—Wire service is now available via Western Union and ZCMI in Salt Lake City is the Utah department store selected. The service extends to all the large cities. For instance one may go to I. Magnin in San Francisco and select any of a list of 96 gift items ranging from \$5 to \$50, pay for it, leave the name and address of the one to receive the gift in Salt Lake City, and the gift will be delivered to ZCMI.

The business of this church is not to build itself up out of the community, but to build up the community out of its very life.

Alameda Ward News

By GALEEN CLAYSON

Summer is here and people are vacationing and busy but remember an active Mutual program is still being carried out every Tuesday night. You will enjoy yourself by coming to Mutual EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT.

Please remember that our able Rodney Pocok directs choir practice every Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock. Those already singing in the choir or others who would like to sing with a happy band, please plan to attend regularly every Wednesday evening.

A pleasant reception was held on June 30 in honor of Alice Severson and Walt Bybee who recently were married in the Logan Temple, Utah.

We are happy to know that William Everett is recovering and doing nicely after his recent illness. He is one of the "fathers" of the ward, and of Oakland stake, having served on the first Oakland stake high council for years.

Marie Smith, Betty Thompson, Mary Studebaker and Verla Smith recently returned from Salt Lake City, where they enjoyed and profited from the June MIA conference. We hear that as many as 20,000 attended some of the great demonstrations held in the university stadium. Cleandra and Lee Meacham and Natalie Reba were fortunate in being able to attend this conference also.

Rose Winkle and her three eldest children are enjoying a vacation in Utah. Congratulations to Evelyn and Alvin Barlow on their new baby boy, Roger Scott. Also to Earl and Elaine Lane on their baby boy.

The Wayne McKinleys and the Reed Judds will soon be moving to Hayward. We regret their leaving our ward, but wish to thank them for the excellent work they have done here. We hope they will be very happy in their new homes.

Hayward Ward News

Bro. and Sis. LeRoy Blaser were very happy to welcome May 23, a new son into their home.

Phil Butler and wife went to Salt Lake Temple to have their marriage solemnized. Bro. Butler has recently been appointed as second assistant in the Sunday School Superintendency.

Virginia Jones went to Susanville to the funeral of her nephew. He was a victim of leukemia. Clifford Johnson has gone to Burley, Idaho, to spend a few days with his mother, Mary Webb.

Kay Smith won first prize for the cleverest box lunch at the Swarm Day festival in the stake. The box was made in the form of a gatherer bear.

Ruth Wilson's father had his skull fractured at work at Stewart's Point. He is in the hospital in Healdsburg.

Vacation time is here! Bishop Ostler and family have gone to Salt Lake; Roy Blaser and family to Salt Lake; Bishop Webb and wife to Oregon.

June 25th a reception was held for Maxine Ray and Clinton Lukins. They were married in Salt Lake on June 9.

ACHIEVEMENT

Helen Emerson, a recent convert, graduated from the BYU. Her mother flew to Provo to the commencement exercises and stayed to the wedding. Helen married Morgan Ririe in the Salt Lake Temple June 6. A reception was held in the ward for the young couple. They plan to make their home in the bay area.

In the days of unsettlement if one is wondering what can be done one should repeat the following:

"I am only one, but I am me. I can't do everything, but I can do something. By the grace of God I will do what I can."

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Dr. J. A. Widtsoe Stake Speaker

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over her busy life. She told the story of being in Jerusalem and of the Widtsos, having dinner with an Arab sheik in the quarters of the YMCA—Mormons and a Mohammedan together in a Protestant structure! She stressed that Mormonism is all truth, embracing all that is fine in every other church, all that is true in science and art, all truth that pertains to the body, the mind and the eternal spirit of man.

DR. JOHN A. WIDTSOE.

The Latter-day Saints were the first Anglo-Saxons to settle California. We are a small minority, and in many ways we must be like the majority are, "but we must not be of them. As long as we are a unique people we are safe. We must stand alone, yet we must accept all truth. We are proud we have the Truth. Brigham Young once said, "I would to God that the Latter-day Saints were as true to their calling as the devil is to his."

What is our duty? You are a few thousand among some 600,000 in the city of Oakland. Let the whole stake get busy and do home missionary work, the young as well as the old. One stake has done more baptisms of new members in one year than the entire British Mission did in that time.

The LDS love education and knowledge. Surveys show that our people have more schooling above high school than other states. We love intelligence. Ignorance has a great appetite for wrong things, false doctrine, foods, drugs, liquors and undefended opinions.

Joseph Smith said that we should grow into the very likeness of God since we are the literal children of God, begotten of God, of the very nature of God. This means continuous education for us and for our children, both now and throughout eternity.

PRESIDENT GLEN SHAW

There is a tendency in the world to get all one can and to give as little as possible. We tend to be like Esau, to sell our divine birthrights for messes of pottage. We like to "soak the rich" and to live off their fruits. All this tends towards statism: let the state do it instead of letting the individual gain strength thru struggle. Thus the very form of our divinely established government is being undermined. If we lose our freedom to any ruling power, we lose to the adversary, for that is his wish.

Elder Shaw quoted from the British "Economist" to show figures wherein the wealth of the citizenry is fading away while taxes are rising two, three and even six fold.

"America can have peace only on the Savior's terms, on His plan, and after the pattern of His life and teachings. It is a mirage when we seek a 'tangible peace', for peace is intangible; it is within us," he concluded.

Heard in the conference were also Elder Horace MacFarlane, Della Swensen, President John A. Murdock of Napa Stake, and Dennis L. Lauper.

PRES. ANGUS H. NORBERG.

The afternoon address of Dr. John A. Widtsoe is summarized in a separate report on page eight of this Messenger under the heading, "Testimony Nuturing."

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform" was certainly true of events leading 120 years ago to the coming forth of the Pearl of Great Price.

First, the Frenchman, Sebelo, entered catacombs in Egypt; found mummies and several rolls of papyrus; eventually died while transporting the lot to France; had willed them to a Mr. Chandler, a nephew of New York, who later went about the country exhibiting them; came to Ohio, and some brethren, after counseling with the Prophet, purchased one mummy and several rolls of papyrus; the prophet upon translating one of them found it to contain the Book of Abraham as we know it.

One pregnant sentence in that book has become a key of knowledge to our people: "This is my work and my glory, to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man." Man's chief duty is to prepare to receive this glory

Business News



Curtis R. Bybee.

The Bybee & Bliss Realty Co., announce the completion of their new realty building consisting of their own realty offices and one store for rental purposes. July 2 was the date set for the Grand Opening of this brand new office located at 4312 MacArthur Boulevard, Oakland.

"Curt" Bybee, bishop of Maxwell Park ward, and "Art" Bliss, former counselor to Vinal Mauss in Oakland ward, and now bishop counselor again, are leading the way for some of our people to acquire new homes built by Bybee and Bliss, in addition to their usual realty and fire insurance business. Both these leaders in business and church are among the oldest Liahona club members.



Earl, Roxy Peterson

These successful Oaks Variety Store operators announce the moving of their Solano avenue store from opposite the Oaks theatre to almost next door to it. We can say their new location is a "spick and span" affair, lighted with a \$1200 installation of neon light tubing for the store and the store sign. We understand their Variety Store continues to show consistent business gains, month by month over the previous year.

In a few months, we learn, Herb Van Noy will move his large and attractive Oaks Hardware on Solano avenue west of the Oaks Theatre to a better "spot" across the street, near the new large market there. Herb also runs a strikingly modern hardware store in San Leandro, besides the great parent store at 5601 College avenue, Oakland. Herb is chairman of Oakland's stake genealogical committee.

Olson's Morwear Paint Store at 1178 Solano avenue, Albany, announce the expanding of their business there by taking over the corner store formerly occupied by the Simmons Shade Co. and removing the partition wall.

Mildred and Alton put it this way: "We are inviting all Messenger readers to call and give our new store the 'once-over' and see our larger stock of Morwear Paints, art goods, sundries and dresden craft supplies." The store is only a couple blocks east of San Pablo Avenue and faces the branch post office there on So-

of eternal life, which is exaltation in celestial glory. The clean, honest, upright life of a completely obedient Latter-day saint—this is man's highest calling and privilege.

Maxwell Park Ward

By NORMA WILLIAMS.

Our congratulations go to the June graduates in the ward. Bob Henderson, Glenn Shaw, Jean Bramwell and Joyce Schultz now claim Fremont High School as their Alma Mater. Ken Williams was graduated from Castlemont High. Dean Mann is now a UC graduate. He is planning to continue his studies in political science and education.

Hazel Matheson has been called to serve as the Welfare counselor in the ward Relief Society Organization. We are sure that she will also be blessed in this calling.

All of the Relief Society workers have been very busy this last month. They made 42 pairs of trowers as part of the welfare plan. The ladies should be commended for their fine work.

Have you been out to see any of the softball games? They are being held each Monday night at Arroyo Viejo Park.

Nana, Ru and Carol Folkman recently attended a Folkman family reunion in Utah. It was an enjoyable occasion.

During the last month two of our young men have entered the armed services: Roy Spencer passed the tests for OCS and radio school. He is being sent to Georgia for training. Sidney Judson entered the Air Force recently and is receiving his preliminary training in Texas.

The Fireside's regular leader, Mavis Humphreys, has been out of town recently. The group has called in other speakers to lead them in the Book of Mormon studies. Robert Paine, Earl Larsen, Elder Nelson and Elder Jensen were all greatly enjoyed by the young people.

On June 19, the various groups of the MIA had special parties. The MIA held special parties. The at Fremont pool. Special Interest group had a barbecue in the home of Dr. Bramwell.

Upon completion of his schooling with the Air Force, Gill Larsen was given a leave. His mother met him in Los Angeles then they returned to Oakland together. It was fine to have Gill with us again and wish he could have been with us longer.

The Olsons have a fine Grass Valley home for vacationing. Both are active in Richmond ward.

Don Allphin took enough time between trips to the Allphin family lodge at Clear Lake to announce the addition to his Foot-hill Boulevard Jewelry Store's stock of the Beurus watch line including the Beurus Calendar watch at \$37.75, and also a line of Wyley diamond watches for men at \$49.75 to \$62.50. We always put our watch in a little box and mail it to Don whenever it needs a little tinkering job. He's been a friend in need for a truth.

Don C. and Annette Wood with sons, Vincent and Calvin, did temple work in the Idaho Falls temple in late June after first visiting Don's uncle, Edward J. Wood, patriarch, and formerly Cardston temple president for 25 years. They were conducted thru the temple by their uncle who afterwards gave each a special blessing. They also visited their daughter, Marjorie, and her husband, Earl Remington, who is serving as assistant chaplain (in charge of all LDS servicemen) at the airbase in Spokane.

In Idaho Falls the Woods joined other Berkeley Stake members in doing work for kindred dead. Don C. says their car gave perfect performance using nothing but his well-known Refinoid all the way.

Don C., Jr., a June UC grad, reported June 26 for active duty in the Air Rescue Squadron as Captain at Hamilton Field.

Vinal Mauss, still maintaining connections with the Colonial Mortuary, writes sending a Messenger ad. He plans to include in his ads, he says, each month interesting facts about Japanese funerals. He also promises an interesting newsletter soon about the Mission in Japan.

Ralph Dunford, Alameda ward, reports a new installation at his "Dunford's Beauty Salon," at 1311 Park St., Alameda. It's an original design, the booth work by Hammond Fixture Co., of Los Angeles. Mr. Hammond, personal friend of Ralph's, flew in from L. A. to help design the Salon as he has done for swanky salons in te Southland.

Work on the large Union building at UAC., Logan, Utah, is going forward with 16 months set as the period required for completion.

Balboa Ward News

On Sunday, May 27, the Balboa Ward Bishopric underwent a change. Counselors George F. Simister and Louis D. Allen were released. Ernest M. Horsley and James W. Challis were sustained as counselors.

Brother Simister had been either Balboa Ward Clerk or Bishopric's Counselor for about 20 years. Bro. Allen served in this ward bishopric as a ward clerk and as a member of a bishopric for the past 20 years, also. Such dependability, sincerity and devotion will long be remembered by members of this ward. A testimonial honoring them and their wives was held in the Sunset Chapel Friday, June 22.

Brother Horsley, until the latter part of last year, served as Sunday School superintendent and has been a supervisor of ward teaching since then. Bro. Challis was the advisor to the adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood and a few months ago was called into the Stake High Council.

Former MIA superintendent, Reed Bailey has been sustained as a supervisor of Ward Teaching to fill the place vacated by E. Sherman Storm who was released to give his full time to the Third Quorum of Elders.

Leon Hovick has been sustained as second counselor in the Sunday School. Bob Nickleson has been released from Sunday School as a teacher; he has moved to Modesto where he is employed. His family will join him there soon.

Douglas D. Allen, son of the Louis D. Allens and a recent graduate of the BYU, and his wife, Marilyn, are spending the summer with the Allens.

The Fireside group had a very successful outing at Stimson Beach June 21.

Jeanine, daughter of Bishop and Sister R. John Cummings and Jeanine's husband, W. N. Tolbert, visited at her parents' home during the first week in June. They were accompanied on their trip by Mrs. Mary A. Cummins, the Bishop's mother. Many friends called during an openhouse held for them on June 8. They have returned to the BYU.

Preston Horsley, son of the Ernest M. Horsleys, and a student of the BYU, spent a few days with us before resuming his summer employment with the forest service.

Bob White was a recent graduate of Stanford and is now at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, taking military training.

Dr. A. J. Eardley, native Utahn and U of U geology department is author of a new monumental book, "Structural Geology of North America," a labor of ten years, having 750 separate drawings and 16 full color map.

The LDS Church's first sponsored Golf Tournament for ages 17 and upward is currently going forward in the stakes. The All-Church Tournament will take place in Salt Lake City July 13 and 14. The All-Church Tennis Tournament playoffs will be held in September in Salt Lake City.

Liahona Club

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week end of June 30, and thereafter on every week end, and as far as possible during each full week. Those wishing to camp on the site for part of their vacations were listed, and will be listed by Oren Jorgenson. Others may contact Pres. A. D. Erickson.

Work Director I. B. Ball announced the appointment of committee helpers in all sections of the east bay. Volunteer workers are invited to call any of the club officers or Mr. Ball at ASHberry 3-8131.

The spirit of the meeting was one of great enthusiasm for 1951 completion of the Liahona Lodge and its dedication on next Labor Day.

Everyone realizes (1) his shoulder to the wheel, and (2) labor at the campsite with his saw, shovel and hammer are now the two practical down-to-earth facts and obligations resting on his mind and energies for every hour he can garner from pressing duties.

Only by each one stripping now for action on repeated week-end trips to the site for solid achievement as well as for the jolly good times about the campfire and at meals—only this is on each one's soul this next Saturday, and the next and the next will bring the joy of the first celebration of accomplishment next Labor Day. Every man to his post!

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Claremont Ward

By GLADYS HAYASHI.

The Bishopric and Mutual presidency wish to extend thanks to those whose willing efforts contributed to the \$500 success of the "kick-off dinner" held the early part of June. Your continued support of the building program will be appreciated; ground breaking in the near future.

We are happy to welcome Paul and Harriet Hyer and their baby from Provo into our ward. Paul was graduated from the "Y".

Showers for brides-to-be and mothers-to-be filled the May and June calendars. A baby shower for Shirley McAdams was given by the lady missionaries at the home of Sister LaVerne Bain on May 24th. Dorothy Ann Harker was hostess at a bridal shower given for Julia Ellsworth on May 24th. Joan Hickman was honored at a kitchen shower given by Enid Young and Mary Eldredge on June 9, at the Eldredge home. Mary Bowman was surprised at the baby shower given her by Edna Cardwell and Grace Millward on June 12 at the Cardwell residence.

A baby boy, John, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McAdams on Thursday evening, June 21. Congratulations, Shirley, Herbert and John.

The Orlando Bowmans are the proud parents of a baby girl born on Saturday, June 23, weighing 6½ pounds. Congratulations.

June, the traditional month of orange blossoms, satin and lace, was the month for the wedding of the following young couples: Julia Ellsworth and Scott Barrett on June 13 in the Salt Lake Temple by Temple President Robert Young. A reception honored the happy couple at the LDS Institute in Berkeley on June 23. After honeymooning at Lake Tahoe, the newlyweds returned to Berkeley to make their home, where both are attending the University of California.

Married on June 2 in the Salt Lake Temple were Joan Hickman and Scott Bybee. The LDS Institute in Berkeley will be the setting for a reception honoring the justweds. The Scott Bybees will make their home in Berkeley (Claremont ward).

Those present at the June 3 Sunday evening meeting enjoyed hearing of the missionary experiences and testimonies of five of our nine missionaries in the field as conveyed by letters, portions of which were read by Joseph E. Wood of the Bishopric.

A recent advancement in the priesthood was that of Arthur Wood from priest to elder.

The many friends of Gene and Dick Poll were very pleasantly surprised by a visit from these fine people on June 23 and 24. Dick, as representative of the BYU faculty, was assigned to speak at the Oakland Stake conference Sunday morning, June 24.

Alten Davis will have an interesting schedule in the fall as teacher in social studies and chess, and also as counselor at San Lorenzo High School.

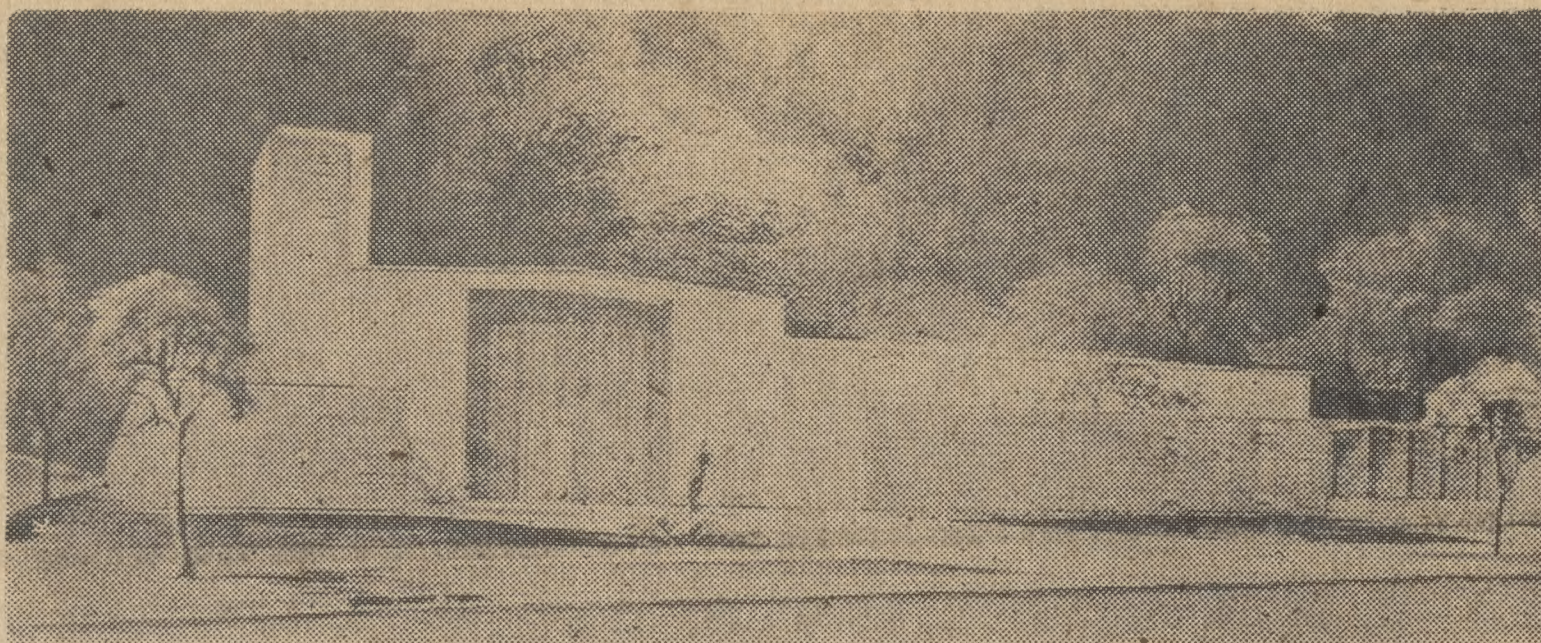
Sister Eva Harker reviewed the book, "City of San Francisco," at the closing meeting and party of the Relief Society held at the end of May at the home of Sister LaVerne Bain.

Our ward members who have been vacationing are: Calvin Simons, on vacation, starting in Seattle; the Galbraiths—Annie, James and Florence—in Utah and Idaho; the Elbert and Byron Gleason families, visiting the Idaho Falls Temple and the five temples in Utah, and friends and relatives; Christa and Fred Hatt, in the Northwest; the Cortlan Hancock family, in Utah; the Reiche girls, in Coronado, California.

Visitors in Berkeley during the past month from various places included Willard Facer, a guide on Temple Square, Salt Lake City, visiting with his son, Reed, and Georgianna Facer, at which time he gave the lesson at two cottage meetings; the parents of the Simons brothers, Marlon and Calvin, Mr. and Mrs. Al Shumaker, brother-in-law and sister of Edna Cardwell; Clara Gleason's sister-in-law and family; Heber Gleason, visiting his two brothers, Elbert and Byron (he was accompanied by his wife); and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Millward and children visited with his brothers, Seldon, Curt and LaVar and their families.

We are sorry that Ralph Angerbauer has left our ward to return

Claremont Ward's New Chapel Soon to Rise



THIS REPRODUCTION of a beautiful colored drawing of the new Claremont chapel as it will appear completed in late 1951 on the ward's building lot on Stuart street, Berkeley, one-half block west of Telegraph avenue, and less than a mile south of the U. C. campus. Unique in design, convenient in floor plan, with a lovely chapel section and large lobby, this \$130,000 structure will fulfill many dreams and prayers of one of the most devoted group of saints to be found in any ward in our stake and perhaps in the church.

● Did you know that Ogden, Utah has the only "Railroad Library" in America? Fifty years after the 1869 joining of the two locomotives at Promontory, Utah and opening of the continental railroad, the U. P. railroad decided to establish a "Golden Spike Library" and selected the Ogden Free Library as the logical spot. Books highlighting "transportation and its development, including biographies, histories and fiction and historic works" are featured, the books of the West's past and present are also now purchased.

home to Salt Lake City. We appreciate his fine work in the Sunday School Superintendency.

Are your papers and magazines stacking up? Well, you will have a chance to be rid of them when the deacons of our ward hold their paper drive in connection with the ward welfare upon their return from camp. Contact a member of the Bishopric.

The MIA has made plans for a very active summer, with picnics, a dance and class activities. Mutual will convene at the Berkeley chapel the second Wednesday of July and of August at 7:30 p.m.

We are still looking for the 80 new members whose memberships were transferred from the Oakland Stake.

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Schedule of Summer MIA Activities Berkeley First, Second Wards Conjointly

JULY 10—SWIMMING PARTY

Place: Albany pool—8 to 10:30. 8 to 9:20 the pool will be open to the public as well as to ward members; 9:30 to 10:30 the pool is reserved for the exclusive use of the MIA. Tickets are necessary. They may be obtained without charge from your Mutual officers.

JULY 17—DANCE—7:30 to 10:30

Square dancing 7:30 to 8:30; ballroom dancing 8:30 to 10:30. This will be a joint activity with Claremont ward, sponsored by Claremont ward.

JULY 24, GAME NIGHT, 8:30-9:30

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JULY 31—MOVIES—8 to 9:30

"Four Feathers," a film classic. This will be a joint activity with Claremont ward, sponsored by Berkeley ward.

AUG. 7—DANCE—7:30 to 10:30

The program will be the same as July 17.

AUG. 14—GAME NIGHT

8:00 to 9:30.

AUG. 21—DANCE—7:30 to 10:30

The program will be the same as July 17.

AUG. 28—PICNIC

Details will be announced at a later date. This will be a joint activity with Claremont ward and sponsored by Claremont ward.

1951 Sr. Softball League

July 9—Berkeley First vs. Richmond at Garfield school.

July 9—Martinez vs. Claremont at Acalanes school.

July 12—East Richmond vs. Berkeley 2nd at Garfield school.

July 13—Pittsburg vs. Walnut Walnut Creek at Pittsburg.

July 16—Richmond vs. Pittsburg at Acalanes school.

July 19—Claremont vs. East Richmond at Garfield school.

July 19—Berkeley 1st vs. Martinez at Acalanes school.

July 20—Walnut Creek vs. Berkeley Second at Acalanes school.

July 23—Richmond vs. Walnut Creek at Garfield school.

July 23—Berkeley Second vs. Martinez at Acalanes school.

July 26—Claremont vs. Berkeley First at Garfield school.

July 26—East Richmond vs. Pittsburg at Acalanes school.

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Aug. 2—Martinez vs. Richmond, at Acalanes school.

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Aug. 9—E. Richmond vs. Richmond at Garfield school.

Aug. 9—Martinez vs. Walnut Creek at Martinez.

Are People Honest, or - - ?

April, 1951, in New York City, the Booker T. Washington Memorial association began a fund raising campaign by "losing" 80,000 half dollars in hotels, subways, restaurants, stations and banks. The coins were in envelopes. Accompanying each was a letter asking the finder to keep the coin but send a dollar to the memorial.

It lost some of the half-dollars, of course, but in less than a week the memorial had got back three times as much money as it had lost.

The St. Louis police department reports that 72 per cent of all property and money lost in that city is promptly turned in by the finder—even when no reward is offered.

Dr. J. P. Shalloo, University of Pennsylvania sociologist says: "Most people want to be honest and most people try to remain honest. Individuals are honest when doing business with each other. Private morality is high. Collective honesty, however, leaves much to be desired."

"A man who is a good husband, father and neighbor wouldn't think of cheating his grocer, but in a wider sphere, an official of a large agency, for instance, if he sees a way he can make some money, sometimes he'll take that opportunity even if it is dishonest."

Diishonest officials can corrupt an entire community," says Dr. Shalloo. "Yet we tolerate them and our own moral standards suffer."

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When we as Utans refer to the Blossoming of the Desert, we do it proudly, because of the accomplishments associated therewith, bringing goodness and blessings achieved with hard work and uncompromising spirit. Those good people, who accepted their challenge and responded to the call to live their religion that others might be led to do likewise, have left us a fine tradition and taught us a fundamental lesson.

This generation has its challenge also, to demonstrate its way of life; to influence others by the things we do and the way we live. Among many other things which the Gospel teaches and to which we should conform our lives is a genuine demonstrated attitude of worship and respect for God and His Houses of Worship.

New resolutions are made, determinations are kindled and fired anew, spirits are drawn closer and closer to a loving Father, as we meet in solemn, reverential worship by preparing our attitudes, by purposefully training ourselves and teaching our children as we meet together to wait upon the Lord.

May our emblem be lifted high—"Reverence for God and respect for His House of Worship."

WARD NEWS

Primary reorganization effected June gives us Etta Marquardt, president, and counselors Patricia Mahoney Robinson and Marguerita Rohel. The children performed beautifully at the Primary graduation services June 10. Graduates were Dorothy Crofts, Moania Johannsen, Kathleen MacDonald, Judy Pearson, Carole Shaw, Jerry Benson, Franz Narquardt, Frank Noyes, Darrel Smith and James Scalanini.

Lauded By Utah Author

A native Utah writer Monday declared that the dramatic and impressive phases of Utah's history have been submerged in the sensationalism which has filled much of the writing about this state.

Jonreod Lauritzen, southern Utah novelist, expressed this view on a short visit to Salt Lake City, where he will be honored at an open reception at the Art Barn, Monday at 8 p.m.

Also to be honored at the reception is Samuel Woolley Taylor, former Utahn now living in Calif. Mr. Taylor's latest book, "Family Kingdom," is now on the market.

The reception for the two Utah writers is sponsored by the League of Utah Writers under the direction of Mabel Harmer, state president, and Irene Dunlap, Salt Lake City chapter president.

The author of three historical novels, nearly all centered in the Vermillion Cliffs background in southern Utah, Mr. Lauritzen declared that Utah presents the most tremendous material for literature of any place in the world. —Deseret News.

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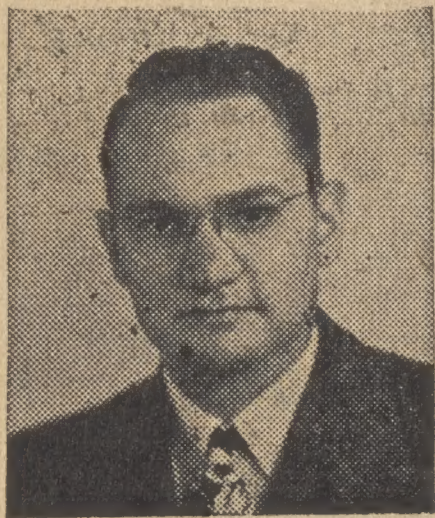
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Mountain Meadow Massacre Facts By Dr. Ray H. Fisher

Dr. Ray H. Fisher, LDS retired physician of Oakland, wrote an article to the editor of the Oakland Tribune and it was published on the editorial page, "The Knave" section, on Sunday, April 29, 1951. We reproduce the column of the "Knave" section:

In the February 18 issue of The Knave, an article was published under the title of "Mountain Meadow." "On reading this," writes Ray H. Fisher, M. D., one could get an impression, as so many people over the years have unfortunately done, that the Mormons of the early days of Utah were a pretty savage lot of people, when on the whole, they were much the opposite.

"Now because at the present time there are living in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Sacramento and a hundred and one smaller cities and towns of Northern California, some 40,000 to 50,000 Mormons, I wish to let the many readers of the Tribune know the truth about the Mountain Meadow Massacre. Among the residents of Northern California one finds Latter-day Saints (often called Mormons, as along with the Holy Bible they believed the Book of Mormon to be the word of God) in every walk of life.

"Some are professors and instructors in every important university in the State of California. Many are principals and teachers in our high schools. Others are superintendents or managers of big stores throughout our great state. The professions of medicine, law, pharmacy, dentistry, have well over a hundred prominent members who belong to the church. In football, basketball, track, etc., are many young Mormon athletes. Among the trusted employees of many of our great industrial plants and our biggest chain stores will be found scores of Latter-day Saints.

"Thus these people may be friends and neighbors of the thousands of people who read the big Knave page of your great Sunday paper, so I desire that they have no false or garbled impressions of the Mormon church and its great leaders in the early days of Salt Lake City, Utah.

"To read the recent Knave article from the pen of Mrs. William Ross Molloy, concerning this tragic massacre of a number of unfortunate emigrants to the great west in 1857, the reader might get the false impression that the killing of the members of the wagon train was planned and executed by officials of the Mormon church in Utah.

"I submit the following facts as given to me in a letter under date of March 8, 1951, from Dr. John A. Widsøe, now one of the Twelve Apostles in Salt Lake City and a man now in his late 70s who has been respected for his integrity for a half century. Receiving his higher education at Harvard university, Dr. Widsøe, a brilliant man on soil chemistry, was made president of the Utah State Agricultural college of Utah and later of Utah university. Finally he resigned the latter position to become one of the governing heads of the Latter-day Saint church with churches in nearly every section of the non-communist world, with a total membership of more than a million people."

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informed me the distance from Salt Lake City to Mountain Meadows is about 350 miles. Of course in 1857 there was no telegraph, nor telephone communication; no railroad, nor automobile. The fastest transportation was a horse and its rider. When Brigham Young, president of the Mormon church at that time, heard a rumor that some Mormons, some Indians and some other people who lived in the vicinity of Mountain Meadows had threatened to waylay and rob some immigrant wagons, he dispatched a trusted messenger to ride with all possible speed (but remember it is 350 miles the messenger must make on horseback) to this neighborhood, to urge these men to desist from such an unjust and evil act of lawlessness. The messenger never reached this distant community in time to stop the murder and plunder of those poor people.

BRIGHAM YOUNG WEPT

"Now I, Ray H. Fisher, M. D., of Oakland, Calif., many years ago in Idaho personally heard Edmund Ellsworth, the oldest grandson of Brigham Young and a man whose word was his bond, say that he stood near his grandfather when he received the tragic news of the massacre and that great tears came to the eyes of Brigham Young as he realized he had been unable to prevent the killing and plunder of these emigrant people. Mr. Ellsworth said to me, 'President Young wept like a child.'

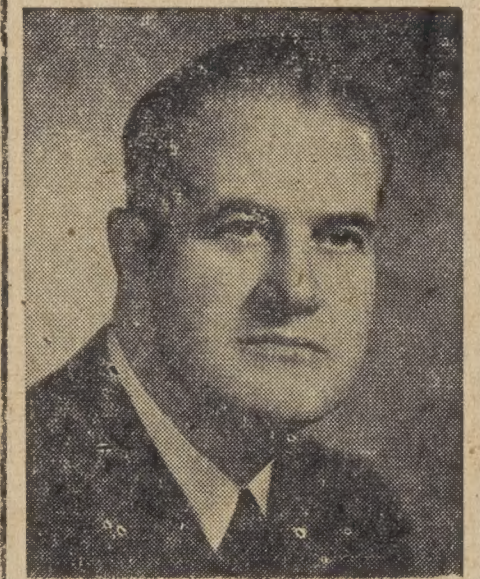
"Hence, how ridiculous to think he had ordered this massacre as so many sensational books have claimed in the last 90-odd years. Dr. John A. Widsøe writes: 'I knew the man who was Brigham Young's messenger to the people near the massacre. Before it occurred, President Young did all he could to prevent any trouble.'

The leader of this murderous mob was a Mormon by the name of John D. Lee. This fact has never been disputed, but this is important for all my readers to know and I quote again from Dr. Widsøe, who speaks with absolute authority: 'John D. Lee was not a church official at the time of the massacre. He was held in distaste by the church after the massacre.'

"This was an act of mob violence by Mormons, Indians and other lawless western characters who thought nothing of robbing or killing people. Hundreds of stages were held up and people murdered, many of them in California, for years afterward by lawless men of the old west.

"Finally, let me repeat that the Mormon church authorities in 1857 and ever since have bitterly regretted this much-written-about and much-misrepresented tragedy and were in no sense responsible for its occurrence."

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Eat To Live

By J. EVARD WELSH
(Calif. Inter-Mt. News, L. A.)

Those of you who prepare the food for your family to eat. Are you just another cook or are you the guardian of the well-being of your family, equipped with knowledge and vision and courage to battle against injurious appetites, usually acquired by faulty nutrition? The latter surely enters the professional class of first order and none has the right to precede her.

There is a book which will aid you in gaining that knowledge and attaining that desired goal. We recommend "How to be Well," by Leah D. Widsøe. It is a health handbook and cookbook based on the newer knowledge of nutrition and may be obtained from the Deseret Book Co., Salt Lake City. (Locally available from I. B. Ball, 1612 Spruce St., Berkeley.)

The author has dared to break away, in the interest of human welfare, from the traditional contents of cookbooks. Instead, she has related all her material to sound nutritional knowledge. She has sought with consummate care to secure conformity with the remarkable recent scientific findings in the field of nutrition. There are numerous recipes for the use of the housewife, but all comport with the modern knowledge of bodily requirements. In this manner the volume has become a handbook of knowledge of foods which every housewife and cook should have, and of the applications of these principals in the preparation of food for the table. It is a handbook for the kitchen of every intelligent, health-loving woman.

Dr. John A. Widsøe tells us it is high time that the nutritive value of even mother's and grandmother's dishes, however good they may be to the taste, be tested by standards of modern knowledge. And it is equally high time for men to subject their appetites to the same standards of nutrition, and thus to cooperate with their wives in building healthy, and therefore happy, families. Only as the importance of the factor of food in health is recognized and obeyed, can the physical welfare of the race be preserved and increased.

The Real "Info" On Utah School Costs

The Utah Foundation reported that Utah spent a greater proportion of its state funds for public schools and college than did any other state in the nation. Utah, the report said, spent 35.6 per cent of its state budget for education compared with 21.3 per cent as an average for the nation.

But—the Utah Education association's statement pointed up the fact that elementary and high schools are financed under a partnership arrangement between local school districts and the state. Thus Utah's total cost of schools can be compared only by adding local and state funds for education together.

Utah spent in 1948-49 for elementary and secondary schools \$178.02 per pupil in average daily attendance. The average for the nation, the association reported, is \$197.65—\$19.63 above the Utah expenditure.



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San Rafael Ward

By POULINE M. ROE.

The first annual Mothers and daughters Banquet of the San Rafael ward was held Wednesday evening, June 20 for large group of Mothers and daughters who enjoyed the dinner and program. General chairman of the affair was Emily Trottier. A Rose theme was carried out in the invitations, table decorations and program. Elfreda Tomlinson and Edith Stewart were responsible for corsages. Bobby Reynolds for reservations. Marion Congdon and Coralie Edwards for invitations. Gladys Gilchrist for table decorations. Norene Deaver and Betty Torghele for food; Elaine Reid for original words for the singing. Helen Richards for original music, and Anita Ellison accompanist. Catherine Moore contributed the many beautiful flowers in the table decorations.

Sister Bertha Davis president of our Relief Society is slowly convalescing from a serious operation performed at the San Rafael General Hospital. She is in the best of spirits however, and promises to be completely recovered soon.

Betty Jones and daughter Alice, left recently for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Betty Rae Wilcox in Pocatello, Idaho. Joyce Keller made the trip with them and will visit parents and friends in Salt Lake City.

A group of LDS servicemen from Hamilton Field presented the program at Sacramento meeting June 10. Terry Anderson, Don Cowley and Henry Alvord were the speakers, and Johnny Jonston sang a musical number, "The Holy City." The boys gave a splendid program which was very favorably received.

Bishop and Mrs. Weston L. Roe have had as house guests the past week their sister and brother-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Theron Andher of Richmond, Utah.

The Relief Society, under the direction of Rachael Greenland gave their closing social on Wednesday, June 13. A lovely buffet luncheon was served to the group of women attending.

Emily Trottier, our YMMIA president, has returned from Salt Lake City after attending the General Conference for the MIA. She reports that the Conference was very inspiring.

• The U. S. Steel Corp. on May 9 leased the Kasier—Frasier blast furnace at Ironton, near Provo, Utah. Its capacity is 300,000 net tons of pig iron per year.

The Idaho Falls Temple Excursion

The Berkeley stake June Idaho Falls temple pilgrimage was cancelled by decision of a conference held by Stake President Harmon and the stake Genealogical Committee after Brother Harmon had received a letter from the First Presidency recommending against the proposed excursion. Plans fore 1952 will include the recommendations of the First Presidency and therefore be fully approved.

Although the 1950 temple excursion was cancelled so far as sponsorship of the stake was concerned, many families and individuals proceeded as they had planned. Hence considerable ordinance work for the dead was accomplished, a fair portion of which could be credited to the stimulus of the proposed excursion.

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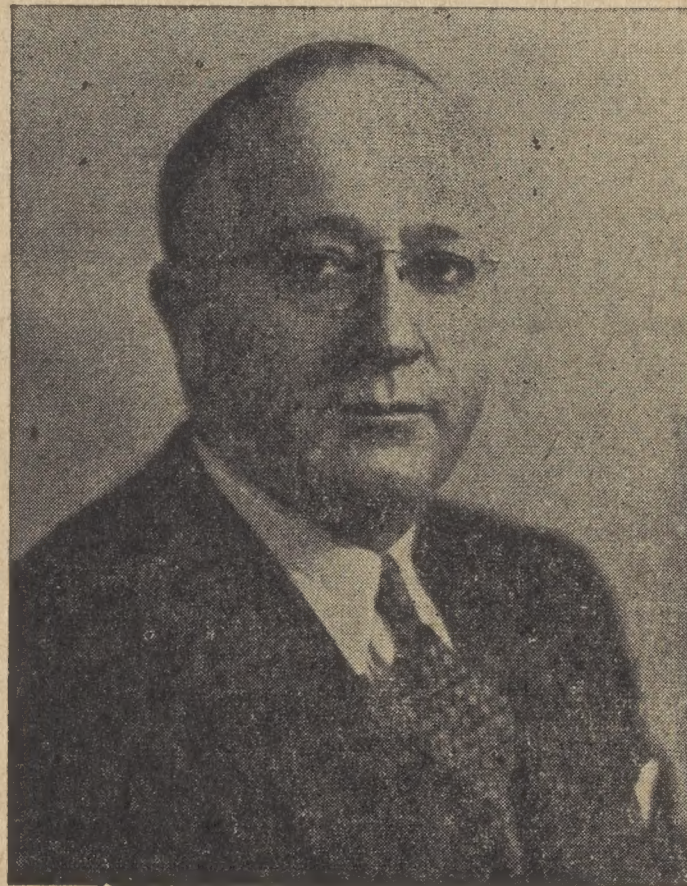
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Thoughts and Things

OF A ROVING REPORTER.

June's two thrills: visiting the two "growing tips" of our eastbay stakes—the San Leandro-San Lorenzo-Hayward area in Oakland stake, and the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Valley-Concord region of Berkeley stake—homes, young families, stores springing up like fresh, green branches in a great vinyard in May.

Hayward breaks into two wards, Hayward and Castro Valley; Walnut Creek we hear, soon to break in two. Some give three to five years for a separate Pleasant Valley ward, and also a ward to serve the Newark-Pleasanton-Irvington-Niles area.

They say Castro Valley ward has gained 165 new members and Walnut Creek over a hundred in two or three months. Those sections give impressions of bubbling life, sparkling ferment of new growth, bustling activity—stimulating, intoxicating — its taken some time back in staid old Berkeley for us to "sober up"—even now our imagination wakes us up again, thrilling.

Bishop Robert L. Larsen of Walnut Creek took us on the new 2 1/2 acre chapel site a mile northwest of Walnut Creek's center and showed us "all the world and its glory" looking out and over thousands of new Pleasant Valley homes. Haven't seen a site equal to that for a ward chapel in all the Church!

A late May thrill came to us when we spent an entire Sunday in Rodeo! Who led the Sunday School singing? Nico Snel, junior! He was working week ends for Bro. Thys Winkel at the Rodeo movie and so attended the Rodeo Sunday School. We hear that he is to be promoted to have charge week ends of one of Bro. Winkel's Oakland movie houses. Nico, Jr., meantime, goes to Acalamas High School. On the other end of the Nico family, we had a call from the parents of Nico, Sr. They are returning to Holland in July to live. Worthy LDS, they will go through the temple in early July. Rodeo Branch is a joy to visit—meets in clean, tidy hall, good attendance of fine young families. We met some ten of the aspiring young LDS personally and felt their fine spirits.

Had a most pleasant afternoon in San Leandro recently. Called in to see the LDS businesses out there—the Maison Ice Cream plant of the Browns of Elmhurst ward, the impressive sewing machine center of Bro. Lewis S. Williams, the large saw and lawn mower sharpening plant of Rulon H. and Mary T. Knowles, and the spacious cabinet working mill and lumber yard of the LDS-owned Bodily Manufacturing company, managed by Bishop Francis Winkel of Alameda ward. On the high way towards Hayward is Bro. Van Noy's Maltby-Van Noy Hardware Store and Don Kimball's striking display of super-sized house trailers.

At the Oakland stake conference, Leah D. Widsote, wife of Dr. John A. Widsote, almost stole the spotlight of the forenoon session with her ten-minute address. We had the pleasure of an hour's chat with this 79-year-old leader in nutrition, author of "How to be Well," and co-author of "The Word of Wisdom."

"Tell the people to live the positive half of the Word of Wisdom and eat the whole wheat bread the Lord advises, the vegetables there counseled as fitted 'to the constitution, nature and use of man', and the lesser amounts of meat the Lord directs. Then will the Latter-day Saints become nutrition leaders on Mount Zion and enjoy freedom of so much disease and distress of body and mind."

At least that was the sum and substance of her admonition. She is a living proof that it works, and so is her husband's vigorous health. I had the impression that I was talking to a young person, never once felt of this near-80 lady as "old", but sprightly, happy, even gay, and mentally alert as at twenty, or forty.

• The LDS Church school in Samoa when finished two years hence "will be the finest building on any of the three Samoa Islands" reports retiring Mission president Golden H. Hale. Elder Earl S. Paul of Ogden, has been called to preside over the mission.

• Dr. Wesley P. Lloyd, dean of students at BYU, has been made head of an educational mission to Japan. He will be director of a Japanese "university guidance institute" consisting of seven leading U. S. educators in the field of guidance and personnel service.



Joseph T. Carruth's Golden Wedding Day

Monday, June 11, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Theron Carruth celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a festive reception attended by 150 guests in the Oakland Ward Chapel.

Siister Carruth was president of the Relief Society of Oakland stake and also of the old San Francisco stake. She had served as president of YMMIA in Idaho. She also was prominent in Parent-Teacher circles, having been the president of Oakland Council, and also a member of the State Council of P-T. A.

Mr. Carruth was formerly a stake president of YMMIA and also served in the Oakland ward bishopric.

Members of the family, including five grandchildren, who attended the evening function were: Mr. and Mrs. L. Lester Carruth, of Fresno; Mr. and Mrs. Wendell H. Carruth, Mr. Edward R. Carruth, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Carruth, all of Oakland, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carruth of Dinuba.

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If one feels scared to stand out in the open and tell the story and have one's name attached to it and give the Lord the thanks, then forget about it 'till the proper courage grows, and the good spirit is willing to be made a fool for the Lord, if he needs be, if only one can help someone in need.

We are in earnest about these stories of "BLESSINGS RECEIVED," and we want them to come in in good numbers, for we know that there are plenty of them to be told. We propose to make The Messenger carry "Blessings Received" each month to the six thousand homes in our four stakes and the 20 to 30 thousand members in those families.

So start writing today, will you, and kindly send in your stories of "Blessings Received."

We promise blessings to each who humbly responds and does now write what may have been locked up for a long time in the secret places of the heart. Don't fear about the wording for that can be dressed up a bit here as seems best.

Rose, Scott Dunham Happy In Salt Lake

I saw Dawna and Alma Deane this last week while they were at June Conference. Janet, Scott's wife, was baptized two weeks ago and confirmed on June 8. She is very happy and proud about it. And, of course, we are happy, too.

I went through the Temple on June 6 when Mother was here. I can say with pride that now I am really a member of the Church. It was a wonderful and glorious experience.

At the same time, I became a Golden Gleaner and was able to attend the luncheon for 800 Golden Gleaners during the June Conference.

My work is progressing very well and I really enjoy it.

My new address is 2171 South 7th East.—Rose Dunham.

News Here and There

If you become curious and decide to drive up and inspect the much-talked-of Liahona Club Campsite in the Stanislaus forest, here are simple road directions from Oakland.

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The Club's first unit, the Utility Building, will mark the end of your drive to Liahona Club's Stanislaus Forest 15 1/2 acre campsite amid towering pines and beneath mountain peaks. Work is going forward on the main lodge structure.

• The BYU is sending out faculty speakers to stake conferences. Richard Poll, well-known here while doing U. C. work for his Ph. D. degree, was at the Oakland Stake Conference June 25, while on the same date Dr. Bradford was at San Bernardino and Professor David Yarn at San Joaquin Conference.

• LDS playwrights and actors, Nathan and Ruth Hale of Los Angeles, have written a successfully presented new play in Wiltshire ward, "Them Also I Must Bring." Action is set in Zarahemla just before the visit of the Saviour as told in the Book of Mormon.

• Four hundred LDS southland seminary students celebrated the completion of the first year of seminaries in the Los Angeles area, May 18. Small LDS classes met near each of the area's major high schools for religious study several days each week.

• There are five LDS stakes now in the San Francisco Bay area; four in California's great Central Valley from Gridley to Fresno; and 13 in Southern California from Bakersfield to San Diego—22 in all!

• The great BYU Fieldhouse Fund now has passed the halfway mark. Feel like "digging up?" Send that "contribution" to J. E. Johnson, 900 Spruce Street, Berkeley. He'll thank you by a nice, long letter, we'll bet.

• Dr. Eugene Gardner, nationally famed nuclear physicist, whose funeral was held in the Berkeley chapel a few months ago, now is to have a Memorial Scholarship Fund raised at the Utah Agricultural College in his honor. Contributions are now welcomed at the college in Logan.

• A 23-story combination Medical Center, Apartment house and Radio City Salt Lake, will rise on South Temple and A Streets, in Salt Lake City.

• A scholarship grant of \$85,000 was recently given the University of Utah by the Ford Foundation to take 40 selected Utah students who have completed three years of high school and place them directly into college in order that they might finish two years of college work before being called into military service.

• Nearly one-fifth of the 170 missionaries in the Northern California Mission labor in the "Golden Gate District," which includes the San Francisco Bay area.

• The book binding project of the sixth Quorum of Elders (Pittsburg-Martinez area), "is rolling," they report, with materials and equipment now on hand.

• Katherine J. Kenner, daughter, of our LDS Institute head, graduated from the University of Arizona recently with a B. A. in Education.

Salt Lake City Quiz

From Deseret News, June 10, 1951. (answers below)

- 1.—The Tabernacle, famous for its 5,000-pipe organ, seats how many people?
- 2.—How long can the salt deposits of Great Salt Lake supply the nation?
- 3.—When was the independent Mormon "State of Deseret" organized?
- 4.—What two famous actresses were born in Salt Lake City?
- 5.—What is the population of Salt Lake City, approximately?

Answers: 1—nearly 10,000. 2—over 2000 years. 3—1849. 4—Maude Adams and Loretta Young. 5—182,000.

Oakland and Berkeley Stake Officers



OAKLAND AND BERKELEY Primary officers—Left to right, back row: Vera Bodily, secretary; Leah Finch, first counselor; Mary Dunn, second counselor; Margaret Williams, secretary, Berkeley stake. Front row: Elsie Lyons, president, and Horace MacFarlane, high council advisor, Oakland stake; Ardella R. Lowry and Naomi W. Randall of the General Primary Board; Fred Hatt, high council advisor and Annetta V. Wood, president, Berkeley stake.

When Life Seems Grim

By RALPH MORGAN.

A Distinguished Actor Offers His Formula For Shedding Self Pity and Winning New Joy In Life.

I have enjoyed many of the good things in life, for which I am very grateful. But, like most others, I have also encountered what, to me, have been great tragedies.

There is no man or woman living who does not face catastrophe, loss, panic, heavy burdens and the terror of buckling under. Recently my sorrows and reverses piled up on me to such an extent and my future ahead looked so grim that life had almost no meaning. Yet, when everything seemed to be completely dark, a thought came to me:

"Why don't you try something that you have always believed in, but never used? Why don't you really try to love? Right now, start loving everyone with whom you come in contact—the milkman, the paper boy, the postman, the man at the service station; yes, and the trees, the flowers, the birds, every living thing. And tomorrow when you awaken, vow to yourself that you'll love more than you did today."

I tried, and it worked. The returns were unbelievable. Gone were the depression, the self-pity, lack of good in my life. My world changed almost overnight. There is nothing mysterious about it, nothing really difficult. All that is needed is an honest effort.

Let me give you a specific instance. You are an actor like myself. You're standing on the stage ready to go on and play your part. Another actor comes off-stage and says, "What a terrible audience. They're sitting on their hands. There isn't a smile in the whole crowd."

Don't you believe it! Say to yourself that it isn't true. Tell yourself: "I love those people out there, and they love me. They're my brothers and sisters." Go on the stage with that thought sincerely and deeply in your mind, and see what happens. You will be surprised and amazed.

I've proven it. I've seen it work. And if it works for me, it will work for you—for the salesman, for the businessman, for the mechanic, for the housewife, for each and every one. And when it works for you, you will feel exalted with a great hope that becomes a conviction.

You will also know that one of the great commandments, "Love thy neighbor as thy self," was not an idle request, but that it was given as a guiding principle which will bring the "Peace of God which passeth all understanding" to each of us. I love this verse of John Greenleaf Whittier's:

Then brother-man, fold to thy heart thy brother,
For where love dwells, the
Peace of God is there;
To worship rightly is to love each other;
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

My formula is a very old one, as old as Man; yet it has rarely been tried, except by comparatively few wise people. On one thing, however, I am sure; it never fails when sincerely applied. This entire solution is embodied in one word, the word which I believed.

Testimony Nuturing

From Address by Dr. John A. Widsote at the Oakland Stake Conference June 25, 1951.

What is a testimony of the Gospel? We can't put it on the shelf, and then some time later, when we think we need it go and take it off again and find that it is still the same testimony as at first. A testimony is a sure and certain conviction that God lives and that Joseph Smith was and is a prophet of the Lord.

A testimony must be a living thing at all times and must be kept always active with us or it weakens and may die. A testimony gives strength and it gives power to our ministry and to the whole of our lives.

Since a testimony is a living thing it must be fed, and cared for. It must not be left to become covered with dusty encrustations. It must be practiced, that is, it must be lived up to day by day. Thus, it grows in us.

It is a sad thing to see a testimony die. I have seen those who one time bore strong testimonies, but who later denied that they ever had a testimony and ridiculed the very thought of a sure testimony of Truth. A testimony is not for us to command. A testimony is always given by a Higher Power, and we have to be in tune with that Power at all times to keep this testimony flowing into us.

Have you read the history of Samuel Smith in Church history, the brother of the Prophet? He had heard his brother and Oliver Cowdery tell of the manifestations to them, but he decided to find out from the Lord for himself. He retired into the woods alone and prayed; says he "wrestled with the Lord." He gained a sure knowledge and came to the Prophet and asked for baptism. He was the first one baptized after Joseph and Oliver.

Then Samuel used that testimony. He strapped a pack of the Book of Mormon on his back and started out to tell the people, and to draw others to the Truth. We have the very Book of Mormon that he placed into the hands of the Greens which they passed it on to Brigham Young and Heber C. Kimball. They all were converted. That was Samuel's testimony at work. So we must do.

Have you examined your testimony? Is it alive, strong and "kicking?"

has been more abused than any other in the English, or any other, language—LOVE.

One word, four little letters; yet, that little word carries within itself all the power there is in Heaven and Earth. If you honestly apply it, you will see something happen that will appear to you to be a miracle. But it won't be a miracle. It will be the natural operation in your life of The Great Law that governs the universe.—From Guideposts.

• Utah has enough mineral resources to serve much of the nation's needs; said a speaker before the Utah planning conference. Great new Utah cities will yet spring up in the future mineral development areas, it was predicted.